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Loco Election Ordered By NLRB

Legislative Conference Protests Anti-Labor Bills

Clubs and Blind Join Labor in Reviewing Anti-Labor Legislation

Letters and Wires Sent State and National Representatives

Representatives of the Toledo League of Women Voters, Ohio Federation of the Blind, Toledo Consumers League, Douglas Community Center and other organizations joined with the CIO in a protest against anti-labor bills pending in Columbus and Washington at a legislative conference held March 19, at the Toledo Industrial Union Council.

Thomas Burke, executive secretary of the Political Activities Committee, Local 12, UAW-CIO, presided at the meetings which were held during the day to accommodate war workers on different shifts. Meetings were held at 10:00 a. m.; 2:00 p. m. and 8:00 p.m.

Kenneth Cole, executive secretary of the Toledo Industrial Union Council now employed by the UAW-CIO in Washington as a liason man, spoke of the Washington scene and discussed the various anti-labor bills now before [illegible] congress.

[illegible]e Discusses Absenteeism

Cole also discussed absenteeism in detail and told of his spot surveys conducted in Detroit in connection with the UAW program. The surveys showed that many factors other than willful desire to remain away from work entered into the problem, including failure to provide adequate living quarters, transportation difficulties, neglect of health and recreational facilities and inadequate child care centers.

Saying that the picture in Washington looked very black for labor, Cole called for political action in wards, precincts, factories and homes to combat the forces arrayed against labor.

Calls for Equal Sacrifice

Cole quoted from a recent speech of the Director of Economic Stabilization, James Byrnes who said, "Congress will lose the war, not the American people."

Melvin Schultz, president of Local 12, UAW-CIO, spoke of the idea which the United Auto Workers advanced at the outset of the

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Visitor

Kenneth Cole, executive secretary of the Toledo Industrial Union, now attached to the UAW-CIO office in Washington, was principal speaker at the legislative conferences last week, Mr. Cole will be located in Washington for the duration.

House Bill 193

Hearings on House Bill 193 will be held in Columbus, Tuesday, Mach 31 before the House Committee. A room capable of housing only 100 persons will be the scene of the hearing despite the fact that several hundred labor representatives will journey to Columbus to testify against this vicious anti-labor bill.

Alarm Clocks To Go on Sale

New Victory Model alarm clocks are in production and the War Production Board expects them to be on sale early in April. Manufacture of alarm clocks was resumed after stripping the sleep-robber of much of its scarce metals because the Government found workers forced to depend on other means to get them up in the morning were late for work by the thousands.

Speaker

Mrs. Eva Eppstein Shaw who represented the Toledo League of Women voters at the legislative conference sponsored by the Local 12 Political Activities Committee condemned Senate Bill 126. See story on this page.

Steel Products Case Goes Into Hearings

Union Refuses To Concede

Settlement of the contract negotiations between Local 12 and the Toledo Steel Products Co. management is awaiting the coming of a hearing officer, who is soon to be sent into Toledo by the War Labor Board.

Contract negotiations up to the present time have been deadlocked, despite the efforts of a federal conciliator sent into Toledo early in March to effect a contract satisfactory to both the union and management.

Union Refuses Concessions

Present status of the case derived from representations made to the union by the company management in which concessions impossible for the union to grant were requested. When the impasse developed, both sides agreed to call in the hearings officer from the War Labor Board.

The WLB officer who will conduct the hearing on the contract will adjust all matters and when the final points have been agreed upon or ruled upon by the hearing officer, will be transmitted to the War Labor Board together with the recommendation of the hearing officer, which will be final.

The rulings and recommendations made by the hearing officer will be acted on by the War Labor Board, which will hand down a ruling with which both the union and company have agreed to abide.

Local 12 Buys Bonds

Will Occupy 20 Places At Radio Program

Local 12 has purchased twenty $100 bonds as its contribution to the war effort in connection with the radio program, "Truth and Consequences," which will be held at the Civic Auditorium March 27 at 9:00 p. m.

This program, one of the most popular of its kind on the air at the present time, has been broadcast in various cities throughout the country as a contribution to the war effort and has met with great success in the East in its bond selling activities.

Each $100 bond entitles the purchaser to a reserved seat, this being the only way in which seats for the performance may be obtained. Local 12 will occupy 20 seats at the performance.

The program is sponsored by one of the large soap manufacturers and will be broadcast over Toledo through radio station WSPD.

Defeats Slave Labor Bill

JEFFERSON CITY, MO.—(FB)—A bill which would have given the state control of labor unions was defeated by the state senate. The vote was 18 to 14.

An outburst of oratory by labor baiting legislators lasted an entire day as they fought desperately to pass the measure under a slogan of driving racketeers out of unions.

Equipment Union Newspaper Started

CHICAGO (FP) — The United Farm Equipment & Metal Workers (CIO), keeping pace with its rapidly expanding membership, has a new eight-page official organ, The FE. The publication, to be issued twice monthly, is a member of Federated Press.

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Please notify us of your change of address as soon as you move.

Anti-Labor Legislation Gains

Kansas and Colorado "Regulate" Unions

Nation-wide anti-labor legislation introduced into 44 state legislatures gained victories last week in Kansas and Colorado when the legislatures of these two states passed laws to "regulate" unions.

Kansas labor bill represents one of the worst anti-labor bills introduced in any state. Under the terms of the law union representatives and business agents must be licensed; compulsory financial reports must be made by unions revealing all fees, dues and assessments paid by union members and reports of salaries paid union officials. The bill also forbids sit-down strikes and jurisdictional disputes.

Ohio Bill 193

A similar bill is at the present time before the Ohio State Legislature, House Bill 193 which is almost identical with the bill passed last week in Kansas.

The CIO, AFL and unaffiliated unions of Kansas will immediately take the Kansas bill to court in an endeavor to have it declared unconstitutional.

Previous to the passage of the law, Kansas unions had pledged elimination of strikes for the duration, voluntary publication of finances and housecleaning of any undesirables.

To Fight Bill

No compromise was acceptable to the reactionary Kansas legislature, however, and the anti-labor bill was passed in the face of the opposition of 175,000 union members.

Similar laws are pending in 42 other states where an organized drive is under way to repress unions and if possible utterly destroy them.

Burt's Contract Makes Progress

Contract negotiations with the Burt Foundry Co. have proceeded to the point where there are but a few points yet to be settled.

A hearing officer from the War Labor Board has been in charge of the contract negotiations. Recommendations made by the hearing officer at the completion of the negotiations will be final.

Points awaiting settlement in the negotiations are wages, gloves for the workers and pay for scrap.

Chairman

Thomas Burke executive secretary of Local 12 Political Activities Committee who presided at the day long legislative conference held at the Toledo Industrial Union Council Hall, March 19.

Rickenbacker Firm Reports Record Profit

CHICAGO, March 22.—Eastern Air Lines, Inc., of which Capt. Eddie Rickenbacker is president and general manager, enjoyed its greatest revenues and earnings in its history in 1942, according to the annual report of the company.

Rickenbacker recently announced his opposition to paying workers time and one-half for overtime and also opposed any limitation on the individual incomes of rich men. Overime pay for workers is bribery but limitation of salaries of rich men would restrict incentive, Rickenbacker said.

Net profits of Rickenbacker's company amounted to $1,885,503 or $3.28 a share compared with $1,609,706 or $2.81 a share in 1941.

Revenues aggregated $16,339,250 against $13,977,124 in the preceding year.

The company set aside $627,905 for federal income taxes and provided $3,150,000 for federal excess profits taxes, but "in the event that no excess profits tax liability accrues in 1942, the total provision for federal taxes on income will be reduced approximately $2,000,000," Rickenbacker said.

Willys Unit Sponsors Navy Breakfast

First Union of Local 12 To Give Navymen Sendoff

First of the Local 12 Units to sponsor a Navy sendoff for boys leaving to join the sea service, Willys-Overland Unit yesterday morning played host to 69 boys from the Toledo area before they departed to take up their training at the Great Lakes Naval Training Station.

Conceived by Charles Ballard, chairman of the Willys-Overland Unit, the breakfast proved popular with both the departing Navy recruits and the Union officials who were present at the affair.

In addition to Chairman Ballard, Anthony Pacholski, editor of the Willys Unit Eagle, and Melsin Schultz, Local 12 president, were present at the breakfast.

Schultz Bids God-speed

Mr. Schultz spoke to the Navy recruits with the talk being broadcast over radion station WTOL. In his talk, Mr. Schultz said that it was an honor to be choosen as a member of the fighting forces.

Referring to the workers who remained behind to produce the materials of war, Mr. Schultz said, "It is our duty to fulfill our part of the war effort by producing the implements of war to the best of our ability." He pledged that the workers would continue in the future as they have in the past to produce the materials of war.

Mr. Schultz said there had been no work stoppage at Willys-Overland and promised there would be none, because "like yourselves, we too want to seal the doom of barbarism and tyrany".

Mr. Schultz spoke of the many gift boxes the Willys Unit has sent its servicemen and told his listeners that the Unit had contributed through its members thousands of boxes containing all types of thing the soldiers need and had sent more than 5000 of these gift packages costing nearly $28,000.

In conclusion, the Local 12 President spoke of his confidence of the victory of right and justice to come and expressed the opinion that a new spirit of the will to win had come over the entire population of the country.

Naval officers from the recruiting station including Lt. Millikan in charge of the Naval Recruiting Office were present at the breakfast and presented the men to the Union officials.

Red Cross Fund Drive Continues

Goal Must Be Reached By End Of March

With slightly more than two-thirds of the funds collected for its quota, the Toledo branch of the American Red Cross is redoubling its efforts to secure the required amount of money before the national fund drive ends March 31.

Local Red Cross officials have expressed confidence that Toledo would not only realize the amount set for it; but that it would surpass it. Toledo always has managed to do its part for the Red Cross and according to Red Cross officials will reach the goal set for it now.

Richard Lazette, CIO War Chest Director who was recently named a director of the Red Cross, has sent out a call to all plant workers in the Toledo area who have not contributed to the War Chest to do so now. Mr. Lazette said, "Workers who have not been solicited and wish to give to this fine humanitarian work so necessary at all times, but particularly during time of war, should either contact my office, AD. 8972, or should call the Red Cross, AD. 5146, and receive instructions on how to make their contribution."

Workers in Toledo plants who have given to the War Chest have a deduction made from this contribution which is given to the Red Cross in accordance with an agreement made between the CIO and War Chest authorities. If, however, there are workers who would like to give additional money, and according to Mr. Lazette, many of them do, they may either contact Mr. Lazette or the Red Cross.

Buckeye Paint Wins Increase

Case Sent To WLB For Approval

Wage increases averaging $171 per year for employes of the Buckeye Paint Co., members of Local 12, UAW-CIO, were won in negotiations between the Buckeye Management and Local 12 in hearings before Owen Schaffer, of the U. S. Conciliation Service, March 18.

The increases vary from 4c to 14c per hour for Buckeye employes who voted to accept the increase agreed upon at their regular meeting of March 20.

The agreement signed by the Buckeye Paint and Union will be submitted to the War Labor Board for approval.

Melvin Schultz, Clem Halowinski, William Healey, John Jorndt and John Przybelski represented the union, while P. F. Whalen, Jr., and M. E. Whalen represented the company management

Unionist Drove In Casablanca Procession

BUTTE, Mont. (FP)—Behind the steering wheel of the second car in the procession at the historic meeting of President Roosevelt and Prime Minister Churchill at Casablanca, North Africa, was a good union man—"Lefty" Orlich, a member of Local 1, International Union of Mine, Mill & Smelter Workers (CIO).

Said "Lefty" in a letter to relatives back home: "It was a great thrill and it gave all of us a grand feeling to see the big men of the Allied war effort meeting to plan for a decisive victory."

Move To Perpetuate Hot Cargo Law Defeated

SACRAMENTO, Calif. (FP) — An attempt to perpetuate the notorious hot cargo law, vetoed by ex-Governor Culbert L. Olson and then passed by a close vote in referendum last November, failed when, after hearing of arguments from CIO and AFL spokesmen, the senate labor committee voted to table the Hatfield-Sichards bill.

It would have made the anti-hot cargo and secondary boycott regulations, now in force for the duration, a permanent part of California statutes.

Runoff Vote Between UAW and AFL Takes Place March 30

Lima News Attempts To Be Subtle

LIMA, O., March 24—Special—A runoff election ordered recently by the National Labor Relations Board for the Lima Locomotive Works will be held at the company's Lima plant March 30.

The runoff election comes as a result of the surprising upset which occured on Feb. 4 when the UAW-CIO, which was believed to out of the running, made a strong bid for employes support and came up with a vote which, when coupled with protested votes, forced the calling of a runoff election. Evidences of the continued growth of the UAW since the Feb. 4 election have led local UAW members to the confident belief that they will win the March 30 election by a substantial majority, despite the efforts of the Lima News in an editorial to cast a none too subtle reflection on the UAW-CIO.

Organizer

Mike Bracey UAW-CIO organizer in the Lima district has been active in the organizational drive at the Lima Locomotive Works. Mike says Lima Loco is going strong for the UAW and he isn't given to rash statements.

Compare Different Unions

Many plant members who were indifferent to the last election are going to prove to be the deciding factor in the next battle of the ballots. Many of these people have, since the Feb. 4 election investigated the claims of both the AFL and UAW with a view of arriving at an intelligent decision upon which was the best union for them to belong to.

One of the older plant employes who confessed failure to vote in the last election told UAW representatives, "I'm going to vote for the UAW this time because if it can fix the seniority so it means something, and I believe it can, it will be well worth while making the change".

No Grievance Procedure

Other employes complain that there is no grievance proceedure worthy of the name under the AF of L contract and that whenever a worker with a grievance looks up an AF of L representative, he is sent back to his foremen.

Resentment on the part of many employes at the Loco plant because of the handling of grievances, or as one employe put it, "its mishandling", has led many workers to conclude that they couldn't do worse than they have even if there was no union. Several of these said outright that they had voted for

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Auxiliary Officers Installed

Melvin Schultz, president of Local 12, installed officers of the Women's Auxiliary March 23 at the regular monthly meeting.

The following officers were installed: Ethel Swinehart, president; Margaret Burgart, vice-president; Mary C. Vaillant, secretary; Mable Helmke, treasurer; Amelia Berning, guide, and Leone Harris, trustee.

Following the installation of officers, luncheon was served.

Senate Would Defer Farmers

By Federated Press

WASHINGTON — The senate voted March 17, 51 to 24, to order local draft boards to defer all men employed substantially full time in raising essential war crops or foods. The bill was authored by Sen. Edwin C. Johnson (D.-Colo.) and supported by Sen. John Bankhead (D.-Ala.) and the rest of the farm bloc.

Present regulations requiring deferred farmers to fill certain specified units of production would be eliminated. Yet many of the bill's reactionary supporters want skilled workers put in the army if they are absent from work so much as one day.

Clothing Workers To Forego Wage Increases

NEW YORK (FP)—A general wage increase will not be asked for 125,000 workers in the men's and boys' clothing industry when current agreements are renewed March 15.

"Although the board took note of the fact that there has been a substantial rise in living costs since the general wage increase which was secured last May," the union's general executive board said, "the board concluded that no request for a general wage increase in the men's and boys' clothing industry should be made at this time."

The union, however, reserved the right to request an increase any time during the year.

Council Still Talks Pay Increase For Employes

Councilman Howard Etchen, who has consistently opposed increases in taxation on Toledo real estate (Mr. Etchen is in the real estate business), last Monday night brought up the question of pay increases to the city employes, which up to the present is stuck on an impasse which appears insurmountable.

Mr. Etchen would like to have [illegible] city reports, records and all [illegible]er pertinent facts brought out [illegible] order to determine what could be done, if anything, to give city workers a much-needed boost in their incomes.

Increases Would Cost $400,000

Asked by Councilman Michael DiSalle what it would cost the city to grant wage increases commensurate with the increased cost of living, City Manager George N. Schoonmaker replied it would require $400,000 to give the city employes a $25 monthly increase.

Final upshot of the entire discussion relative to wage increases was exactly nothing. No action was taken, except to pass the buck to the city manager to bring in a suggestion telling Council how to make $400,000 grow where none grew before.

One of the city manager's suggestions Monday was that it would be possible to close down five engine houses, but that the fire underwriters would object to it. Investigation reveals that even by

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NAM Crawford To Meet Murray and Green

WASHINGTON—Chairman Donald Nelson of the War Production Board March 19 announced that a new labor-management production council will be created by WPB shortly and that he and Vice Chairman Charles E. Wilson will meet with the council on "major matters of policy."

The new body will be primarily concerned with production problems, he made clear, rather than manpower or labor relations. One of its chief tasks would be to supervise the program for labor-management production committees in the nation's war plants, which has been characterized as spotty and in many cases mostly window dressing.

Of eight members, four were announced: AFL president William Green, CIO president Philip Murray, president F. C. Crawford of the Natl. Assn. of Manufacturers and president Eric Johnston of the U. S. hamber of Commerce.

Crawford's views on labor-management are well known.

Nelson said that labor representatives will be placed in all the industry and raw materials divisions of WPB. This was announced months ago but to date a labor advisory committee for the steel division, headed by Murray, is the only one set up.

Toledo Employment Stabilization Plan Announced By WMC

Rules For Employer and Employee Will Insure Greater Use Of Manpower in Toledo Area

Adoption of an employment stabilization plan for the Toledo industrial area was announced here March 23 by Walter L. McDonald, area director for the War Manpower Commission, following C. Goodwin, WMC regional director for Ohio, Michigan and Kentucky. The plan is effective immediately.

All of Lucas County is included in the area covered by the plan, together with Ross and Perry townships, in which Rossford and Perrysburg are located, in Wood County.

The plan, developed by the Toledo Area War Manpower Committee, after numerous recent meetings, during which all phases of the manpower problem in the area were considered, reflects experience gained in the operation of stabilization plans in Detroit, Cleveland, Dayton, Akron and elsewhere. The committee studied reports from other cities, incorporating desirable features of these other plans in the Toledo plan.

To Reduce Absenteeism

The purpose of the plan, as stated in the committee report, is to promote the orderly transfer and movement of workers, prevent labor piracy, reduce turnover and absenteeism, encourage upgrading, and in general, to insure the most efficient utilization of the Toledo area's manpower for the effective prosecution of the war, and the preservation of a minimum civilian economy.

"I want to emphasize that this is not a job freeze," Mr. McDonald said. "Actually the plan encourages workers to change jobs when the change will aid the war program. It specifies various circumstances under which an employe may transfer."

Labor and Management

Labor and management were represented equally on the committee which worked out the Toledo employment stabilization plan. Labor representatives are Thomas N. Russell, executive secretary of the Toledo Industrial Union Council, CIO; Richard Gosser, director Region 2B, United Auto Workers, CIO; Earl Caton, general secretary, Toledo Central Labor Union, AFL, and Oliver Myers, secretary, Building Trades Council, AFL.

Management members are Lloyd Haney, personnel manager, Spicer Manufacturing Corp.; E. Robert Isbell, assistant to the president, American Propellor Corp.; Nelson D. Abbey, president, Etna Machine Co., and Milton M. Olander, labor relations director, Owens-Illinois Glass Co.

Defines Essential Worker

The plan specifies that no employer, private or governmental, shall hire or solicit any "essential worker" without either a referral from the United States Employment Service or a certificate of availability from his employer or the United States Employment Service of the War Manpower Commission.

An "essential worker" is one whose present or most recent employment was in any plant or any activity listed as essential by the United States Employment Service.

A certificate of availability is a written statement that the employment of an essential worker has terminated or that his services can be more fully utilized by another essential employer.

Certificates of Availability

Circumstances under which an employer would be expected to issue certificates of availability or where the United States Employment Service would make referrals include cases where:

An employer discharges a worker, or where a worker is laid off for a period of at least two weeks.

A transfer would be in the best interest of the war effort, or would materially contribute to the conservation of gasoline, rubber, or the better utilization of transportation facilities.

The worker is competent at the time of transfer to perform higher skilled work than his present employer is able or willing to provide.

The worker is employed for a substantial period at less than full time.

The worker is employed at wages or under working conditions substantially less favorable than those prevailing in the Toledo area for the kind of work on which he is employed.

The worker has compelling personal reasons for wishing to change employment.

Workers Transfer Procedure

The plan provides that when an essential worker desires to quit his job or to be transferred, he should state his reasons to his employer and give the employer three days' notice.

If the employer fails or refuses to issue a certificate of availability, the worker may then ask the United States Employment Service for a certificate. The plan provides that the United States Employment Service shall confer with the employer and make whatever investigation seems necessary to determine if a certificate of availability should be issued to the worker.

If either side is not satisfied with the decision an appeal may be made to the Toledo area director and the Toledo War Manpower Committee. Further appeals may be made in accordance with War Manpower Commission policies.

Rights of workers and employers are fully protected by appeals procedures. During the time an appeal is being considered the worker is expected to remain on the job.

Seniority Rights Protected

The plan provides that an essential worker who has been granted a certificate of availability shall have his seniority and re-employment rights preserved with the following provisions:

The worker shall maintain and accumulate seniority with his original employer during the period of his transfer when the transfer is authorized in the best interest of the war effort or would materially contribute to the conservation of gasoline, rubber, or the better utilization of transportation facilities; or when it has been authorized because the worker was competent at the time of the transfer to perform higher skilled work than his present employer was able or willing to provide; or when the worker was employed for a substantial period at less than full time.

The procedure is the same for workers in non-essential activities who wish to protect and accumulate seniority and re-employment rights, except that such a worker need have no other reason for transfer than the desire to work in an essential activity.

In-migration is controlled by provisions in the plan that all hiring of workers outside the area must be with the approval of the United State Employment Service and that no non-resident may be employed for the first 30 days after registration except through referral by the United States Employment Service.

Council Talks Pay Increase For Employes

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closing down the engine houses, less than one-fourth of the necessary amount to give the desired salary increases would be realized.

Blackout Rules Asked

Blackout legislation providing penalties for violations of blackouts was asked by Councilman Ira Bame, who contended that there were no laws dealing with actual blackout violations.

Councilman George Bryce brought up the condition of city streets and asked what was being done to remedy their condition resulting from the freeze and thaw which have in many sections of the city blown up large sections of pavement and made driving extremely hazardous.

City Manager Schoonmaker explained there was a definite shortage of labor but that work was being undertaken as rapidly as possible to repair the damage.

Echo From the Past

A communication was received from R. A. Yoakam, who works for the Gulf Refining Co., saying that he favored a one per cent payroll deduction to "maintain the high standard of city government." The letter was placed on file. Council last week passed up the proposed 1 per cent payroll tax when it became evident it was political dynamite.

After considerable discussion, the rental of the Civic Auditorium on a lease renewed by Thacher, brother of Councilman Ad Thacher, was held at $50, the same as it has been heretofore.

Thacher Answers Bryce

A lively discussion between Councilmen Bryce and Thacher grew out of the rental price with Bryce asking Thacher, "How much are the promoters sandbagged by the politicians?" To which Thacher replied, "How long since you attended one of the wrestling shows?" Bryce took the bait, and said, "It's been years since I quit going to the shows." Then Thacher took him with, "Well, you ought to start going again so you'll know what's going on."

An audience of seven spectators endured the 90-minute session.

Loco Election Is Ordered

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No Union in the last election but had changed their minds and were now voting UAW-CIO.

Two Choices

In the NLRB conducted election March 30, there will be but two names on the ballots; the UAW-CIO and AF of L. If the experience in similar cases elsewhere holds true, the UAW will score a decisive victory in the runoff election.

Mike Bracey, International organizer in the Lima district expressed confidence the plant would go UAW by a big majority. "The Lima News is talking about raiding", said Bracey, "but apparently the News doesn't know that more than 620,000 members of the International Association of Machinists are voting next month to decide whether they will desert the AF of L or not". Bracey continued, "the machinists certainly are not being raided by the CIO; in fact, they deny that they are going to enter the CIO if they decide to leave the AF of L".

Hours for the voting will be substantially the same as they were in the previous election and under the same conditions.

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EDDIE'S STILL AT IT

INDIANAPOLIS—Eddie Rickenbacker came to Indiana to propose organization of a national war mothers' club, whose chief purpose would be to push anti-labor legislation. The first result of Rickenbacker's speech was to bring about a united front of AFL and CIO here.

National and State Legislators

UNITED STATES CONGRESS

Senate

Honorable Harold H. Burton.....Washington, D. C.
Honorable Robert A. Taft.....Washington, D. C.

House of Representatives

Representative, Homer A. Ramey.....Washington, D. C.

OHIO STATE LEGISLATURE

State Senate

State Senator, Virgil Cramer.....Columbus, Ohio
State Senator, Raymond Hildebrand.....Columbus, Ohio

STATE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

State Representative, Chester R. Early.....Columbus, Ohio
State Representative, Fred R. Myers.....Columbus, Ohio
State Representative, Benjamin F. Reading.....Columbus, Ohio
State Representative, John S. Seymour.....Columbus, Ohio
State Representative, George E. Thompson.....Columbus, Ohio

Workers Not Buying Luxuries ---Wall St. Journal

Workers Paying Debts And Mortgages

By Federated Press

NEW YORK—Claims that workers are splurging wartime wages on luxury items were laid to rest by the Wall Street Journal in a survey which found that workers are using increased earnings to pay off old debts and farm and home mortgages.

Last year saw a record payment of loans of all types, according to the survey, with the net debt reduction totaling something like 5 billion dollars.

"By far the biggest debt reduction in 1942 was accomplished as the man in the street completed instalment payments on his automobile or radio or refrigerator," the survey said, estimating the cut in farm mortgages alone as 200 million dollars.

"Home owners paid up back debts against their mortgages, and also looked to the future by anticipating payments," it continued. "Overpayments to the Home Owners Loan Corp. in 1942 were around $100,000,000,000, with 101,000 of its 790,000 borrowers making payments in excess of their regular billings.

"Last year half as many borrowers paid up their accounts in full, as in the entire eight years up to the end of 1941. . . . Foreclosures by the HOLC dropped to 2,393 in 1942, which was only a little more than one-third of the 1941 total of 6,194. Arrears on mortgages amounted to $9,732,421 for 1942 compared with $12,877,988 for 1941."

Connally Warns Against Debating Postwar Issues

WASHINGTIN—Chairman Tom Connally (D.-Tex.) of the senate foreign relations committee March 16 said that while he favors a postwar international agency to preserve peace, neither he, the White House or the state department are committed to the plan covered in a resolution introduced by Sen. Joseph H. Ball (R.-Minn.)

"Our supreme duty now is to win the war," Connally said.

Building of 2,000 new housing units for war workers in Baltimore, Md., was approved by the National Housing Agency recently, along with 1,000 conversions of existing homes.

A Boss Learns About Unions From His Son

LOS ANGELES—(FP) — When Patricia Killoran, a representative of the CIO Labor Herald, showed a story about the heroism of members of the Natl. Maritime Union to Howard Hayes, advertising manager of the Southern California Edison Co., the response was enthusiastic and surprising.

"I know they are heroes," Hayes said. "My son, Jimmie, told me so". Jimmie is a navy gunner aboard a merchant ship.

TRAVELING SOLDIERS TO EAT

Officers in command of troops being transported on railroads may issue "emergency acknowledgements," if ration checks are not available, so that dining car operators may replenish their stocks of rationed foods consumed by soldiers.

Mag Says Grievances Piling Up

Deals Frankly With Problem

By Federated Press

NEW YORK — There's "labor trouble" ahead and it is not the workers' fault, Modern Industry, one of the nation's flossiest big business magazines, admitted March 15 with a candor that is lacking in daily newspapers of wider circulation.

The men of management are warned by the magazine that "there'll be slowdowns and quickies and wildcats that will play hob with war production" unless they do something about the following:

Labor's Handicaps

"Living costs, which in key war production areas, properly weighted to recognize those items that represent war workers' budget items, have increased far more than the 15% in the (Little Steel) formula.

"Increased taxes, particularly the income tax which will be paid for the first time by many war workers.

"Job freezing in many areas.

"Conflict between congressional desires, War Manpower Commission directives, army and navy plans, Selective Service policies and the whims of local draft boards on draft deferments.

Censures Rickenbacker

"Pressure of food rationing—particularly the meat shortages and black market operations. (The editors apparently mean the lack of food rationing.)

"Inadequate transportation, housing, medical facilities, recreation.

"Conviction that neither corporations nor higher paid company executives are sacrificing equally with workers."

The magazine also takes Eddie Rickenbacker to task for a "one sided approach to the problem of absenteeism which has served only to rouse the ire of labor groups that demonstrated their willingness to tackle the problem."

Machinists to Vote On AFL Withdrawal

By Federated Press

WASHINGTON — The 619,000 members of the Intl. Assn. of Machinists will vote next month on whether or not they will withdraw from the AFL, Federated Press learned March 16.

"The fight we've had with the Building Trades," said Secretary-Treasurer E. C. Davison, "goes back 14 years. President William Green has made it clear repeatedly that the carpenters shouldn't raid our members. But his orders aren't carried out."

Ballots are being shipped out now and voting will begin April 1 to extend through the month. Circulars dated Feb. 26 were sent to the lodges with instructions to have them read at each meeting during March and April, to acquaint members with the executive board's action in ordering the referendum.

Clubs and Blind Join Labor In Reviewing Anti-Labor Legislation

Continued from Page One.

war, calling for equality of sacrifice and said, "Today, we are getting our answer in the pure selfishness and greed of the vested interests who are usiug the war as an excuse to grab control of your very lives."

"Labor," said president Schultz, "is willing to wage war to save democracy; but after one year of war, we find labor is completely on the defensive itself against the forces which should be fighting shoulder to shoulder with it."

Points to Political Action

Mr. Schultz pointed out the necessity of political action for the workers due to the anti-labor bills which are threatening labor in the national capital and most of the states of the country.

He criticized the National War Labor Board and spoke with sharp criticism of the OPA. "The War Labor Board," said Mr. Schultz, "is concerned with gains for the worker. It has, therefore, practically frozen wages at the scale called for in the Little Steel formula; but the OPA which deals in profits has not achieved the goal set up for it when it was started and prices have continued to raise despite the so-called ceilings which were supposed to be set up."

Women Voters Protest

Mrs. Eva Eppstein Shaw, representing the League of Women Voters, spoke against Senate Bill 126 which is a substitute bill for one similar to it, which was presented earlier in the present session of the Ohio legislature.

Mrs. Shaw said, "There isn't such a thing as that which benefits labor alone. What benefits labor, benefits the whole community." She said that the people who are elected when workers become complacent put over legislation which effect the welfare of those who permit themselves to be satisfied.

Comments on Ross Bill

Commenting on the Ross Bill, S. B. 126, Mrs. Shaw said, "there is no excuse for the Ross bill, but there it is." While she expressed the opinion that the bill would not be passed because of the opposition of labor, women's organizations and other progressive groups in the state, she warned the assembly that there still was a chance for it until it has been decisively defeated.

Continuing her discussion of the legislation, Mrs. Shaw condemned H. B. 311 for removing hour and other restrictions from women engaged in the canning industry. She said that women cannot work in certain industries and are unable to do certain types of work for biological reasons. She expressed the unalterable opposition of the League of Women Voters to the bills directed against women and thanked the labor organizations for their part in opposing the bills.

Clarence Thomas of the Douglas Community Center spoke of the opposition of Negroes to the anti-labor bills and told the audience that "we must maintain the gains we have made and continue to make progress."

Mr. Al Stein, speaking for the Ohio Federation of Blind, asked for the support of labor in S. B. 100 and 166 now before the legislature. He spoke of the indaequate compensations of $22.07 per month and said, "we do not want charity, granted by the state to the blind, but an opportunity to do our part in the war effort." He spoke of the work which the blind are doing in Ford's plant and asked that the blind be given a greater opportunity in war industry.

Other Speakers

Thomas Downs, representing the Ohio CIO Council, spoke of the various bills now before the state legislature. "Labor's battle grounds have moved from the factory gates to the legislative halls" he said as he proceeded to explain the various bills opposed by labor now up for consideration by the Ohio legislature.

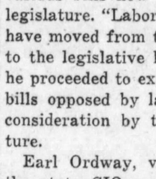
Earl Ordway, vice president of the state CIO spoke about H. B. 193 to "regulate" labor unions and told how the bill would, if passed, tell labor unions who they could elect as officers, force them to throw their books and other records open for inspection by a commission to be appointed by the Governor and harass and hamper unions in general.

Calls for Action

He called upon labor to unite in protest against this and other anti-labor bills now pending in Columbus.

O. J. Pecord, editor of the Toledo Union Journal discussing anti-labor legislation in general said, "these bills in Washington and before the various state legislatures are cut from the same pattern. They might have been written by the same individual. They are part of a plan to destroy labor."

About 300 attended the various sessions and united in their protests against the anti-labor and anti-social legislation under consideration in the state and national capitals.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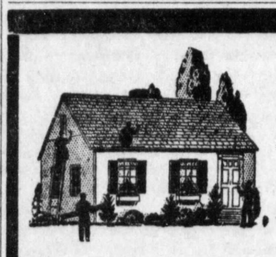
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Willys Pot Shots

Tip to Joe Garove: There isn't any point in you asking Bill Close to put favorable blurbs about you in this column because Willyum has nothing to do with it. Besides, before you can get favorable notices, you should give your men the break they deserve.

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One of the boys in Dept. 981, which, incidentally, is one of the poorest paid departments in the plant, chipped in recently to aid one of their boys who has been seriously ill for more than six months.

Foreman Charlie Washer, to whom the ill employe had been right-hand man and pal, who expresses his great concern over the sick one, dug into his jeans and came up with the munificent sum of 50 cents, a sterling gesture of big-hearted generosity in the face of the $1.00 average which the rest of the boys in the department came through with.

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We have been told about a certain brass hat in charge of Dept. 981 who is so tight he gets down on his knees and asks the Good Lord's forgiveness every month when he donates the big sum of $0.00 towards the Servicemen's fund. It also hurts his conscience to donate to any collections taken up to help a worthy brother who is ill. You would think every time he gives out a pair of gloves to any of the men he is boss over that the cost of same came out of his own pocket.

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IMPROVEMENTS

One of the many improvements taking place at the present time, through the efforts of your Executive Committee, is the repairing of that deteriorating, teeth-rattling driveway in the basement of 90 Building. Insisting that the tunnel between 46 Building and 110 Building be inclosed, repaving of 90 dock, air conditioning of Dept. 270, arguing at every meeting for the removal of the smoke nuisance in Dept. 605, repaving of the roadway between 49 Building and 45 Building, insisting that this be repaved to Mail Order Building so as to eliminate the tire busting railroad crossing, new flooring throughout the plant and many other improvement for the members' welfare.

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We understand that anyone who gets his check garnisheed or, as it is commonly known, has a "brick" put on it, is entitled to 50 cents according to a ruling set up by Carl Ryerson March 19, when he tied up the wrong man's check. This brother got his check released and was presented with an envelope containing 50 cents. We wonder if that was given to salve the good brother's feelings.

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We received a post card from Pvt. Ralph Boxenbaum, whose number used to be 267252, thanking us for his vacation check and think it would be a fine gesture by the management if they would hurry up those back pay checks and send them to the brothers in the service if they have any pay coming. The money would come in mighty handy to pay for their train fare if they can get a furlough to come home. This good brother is stationed at Madras, Oregon, and belongs to the 940th Guard Sq.

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Tool Order office looked pretty bare last week with many of the girls away due to sickness. Among the ailing were Helen Kachenmeister, Lois Ligman and Laura Butler. Oere's hoping the girls are feeling better.

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All the Irishmen, including Denny Daley, were wearing the green on St. Patrick's Day.

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The $64 Question: What girl in D-361 is going to put a service flag in her window for all the boys in service she wries to? Could her name be Jeane Molner?

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Those "Falcon Fiends," Deloris Lampkowski and Josephine Sulinski are really on the mellow side when it comes to dancing.

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We'll all miss Bernie Kolacki's smiling face when she leaves the department. Sorry to see you go, Bernie.

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Eddie LaPlante, who is serving in the Army, recently was home on a furlough and visited the Dept.

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Sidney Baim, a private now, recently visited his friends in D-361.

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What little girl has that love gleam in her eye? We all wish you luck, Wilma.

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Maris Stella Bouchard.

Pressed Steel Teller

By Paul Sterling

A RECORD MEETING

What is believed to be a record for short meetings was established on March 20, when our Unit had a meeting which lasted approximately 30 minutes.

It may be that we do not have more difficulties than any of the other small Units; but we certainly have our share. Strong minded union people who belong to the Unit would do well attend the regular monthly meetings.

UNION KNOWLEDGE

Decisions on Unit affairs and problems are based upon the laws and by-laws of our International Constitution.

Sometimes, in fact, many times misunderstanding of these laws give rise to grievances which would not occur were there a better understanding of the rules and regulations governing our Union. Decision of the committee on controversial points must be based not upon personalities or any personal sentiments; but strictly upon the laws of our organization.

For the reasons given above, it is urgently requested that all our members make it a point to understand the laws, and this can best be accomplished by devoting a little time to reading the International Constitution.

Knowledge of the terms of the Constitution, shop contract and other Union documents will, to a great extent, eliminate many of the difficulties which grow out of a lack of such understanding.

One way that helps to bring about this desired understanding is to attend your Unit meetings. Let's go all out for the regular monthly meetings and make it 100 per cent.

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PERSONALITIES

Excellent handling of the Soldiers' Fund by Sopie Lake and Margaret Loper deserves thanks of the Unit. At the present time, there are about 35 boys from our shop serving in the armed forces.

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Casper Karomel achieved parenthood a couple weeks ago. He is the proud father of a baby boy. Congrats, Casper, and keep up the good work.

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Pep Huntebrink is planning a trip to No. Carolina to visit her son who is serving in the Marines. That's all.

C. I. O. Canco (1) Opener

By Ted Modrowski

A man will read the Bible and go to church regularly in order to win Heaven, but will not read his Union Journal or attend his union meetings to stop his hell on earth. (With due apologies to Don Roesler for a bit of plagiarism.)

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We are deeply touched by the "Oh-so-tired" feeling displayed by Emil "Red" Soldwish (our genial tinsmith) each morning, but we wonder if the last whistle acts as a vitamin injection to him at quitting time. He sure has speed and energy to burn at 4:30.

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Word has reached this writer that Eddie Marok has received his D. D. degree (Dogger Deluxe) from Dawg Gers College. The message also states that Ed has made a fine art of having nothing to do but appearing to be the busiest man in the plant. (Take it easy, Ed.)

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It is high time some of the corporations of this country discontinued their lowly practice of hiding behind the colors of Old Glory and start acting like American citizens. Just a reminder to them that the "all-out war effort" is against the Axis and not the unions.

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To those who may not have heard as yet, Pauline Ritchie is the new steward on the second floor. Pauline, we hear, is a firm believer of "survival of the fittest" so she should do well in representing the people.

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The headaches and heartaches of the post-war period in all probability will be comparable to the present crisis. The best cure for this is increased activity in your union, and for the rank and file to bolster the principles for which we strive. Your union will mean more to you after the war than it ever has, and there is no better time than the present to strengthen your defenses and build an effective offense. "An ounce of prevention, etc."

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Ben Macy is attempting to sign Frank Michalski as his sixth man on the bowling team—strictly for an emergency. He aims to have Frank in there pitching "needles" at the Litho and Tinplate Team.

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Herb Dickinson (the cute little apprentice) recently purchased Louie Krempa's car, and Lou, being a gentleman, pointed out all the defects (so Herb thought). We would like to warn Herb at this time that when he carries passengers in the back seat in rainy weather, to furnish them with an umbrella — that's right, the roof leaks, and say, Herb, that left rear tire has no tube in it. Lou filled the tire with molasses and when warm weather sets in we're afraid you're going to have a "sticky problem.

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Don't forget to buy bonds, and don't forget to write the boys.

The Acklinite

By LEWIS MATTOX

THIS IS FUNNY

Acklin, which is doing some good war production work, has not yet received the Army-Navy "E" for excellence in production. What hands me the laugh is that six plants for which Acklin is producing have received the "E" award. Maybe the War Department doesn't want to recognize small plants.

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ADJUSTED WAGES

Acklin Unit isn't losing any love for the National War Labor Board or any other governmental agency which closes its eyes to the actual economic situation which exists in this country.

It just doesn't make sense to freeze wages and at the same time let the prices of foodstuffs go up. The War Labor Board is sticking close to the Little Steel Wage Formula, while the Office of Price administration, despite its good beginning and pious expressions still is unable to hold the price ceilings over commodities which workers must have in order to live.

PERSONALITIES

Clarence Kreuger's son left for the Army last week. This is the second boy Frank has sent to the Army which should prove an incentive for Frank and is, to do more than a little in the Battle of Production.

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Grace Lee has returned to work after being off sick for a short time.

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Pearl Redmond who works in the shell department leads the seniority list at Acklin. Pearl is 100 per cent Union and a real member of the Unit.

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Frank Levo, the Izaak Walton of Acklin, says the bullheads are biting. Frank carries a fishing license and can he fish? And can he tell fish stories?

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Rivalry still goes on at noon in the die shop in the ping pong circles. Champ Thornton still is champ and looks like he will continue on indefinitely.

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Art Heidt and Nick Schneider are both on sick leave, which reminds us that not a little of the absenteeism which is being so grossly magnified in the press of the country is the result of colds which have been going around.

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Ollie, the good guy in the inspection crib, is a strong believer in his union. Ollie is strong for Local 12 and nobody can say a word against the Acklin Unit to this good union member.

"This is our new Victory Model, Madam—guaranteed to save gallons of gasoline."

Union Welcomes Kaiser As New Brewster Boss

Hope to Step Up Production Under Efficient Boss

By Federated Press

LONG ISLAND CITY, N. Y.—Henry J. Kaiser as chairman of the board of directors of the Brewster Aeronautical Corp. is a welcome change to Local 365, United Auto Workers (CIO), which has a contract at the main plant here.

"We're very thankful for the change," Local president Thomas De Lorenzo asserted when informed that Kaiser had taken over March 16.

Noted for Poor Production

The Brewster plants here, in Newark, N. J.. and Johnsville, Pa., are notorious for poor production, and it was agreed by the Navy Dept., the Truman senate defense investigating committee and the UAW that the blame rests solely on the shoulders of the old management.

Although Kaiser's dealings on the west coast have been with AFL unions, the CIO local president said he expected speedy action in wage negotiations which are now going on.

Expect Better Production

"There will be no trouble," De Lorenzo stated, "and we think under these new conditions that we will be able to produce a lot more planes."

Brewster has an estimated backlog of $275,000,000 in navy aircraft orders. It produces the Bermuda and Buccaneer dive bombers for the British navy and the U. S. Navy respectively and the Corsair bomber for the U. S. Navy, as well as wing sections for the Consolidated Catalinas.

Look Eddie ! Jingle, Jangle, Jingle

Music over factory loudspeaker systems jazzed up the daily output of war workers by 6.8%, report Porf. Burris-Meyers and his associate, Raymond Cardinellium, of Stevens Institute of Technology, who studied workers with and without the influence of music. "In over 75% of all factories studied, the total production was found to be greater when music was broadcast than when it was not used," they said.

National Supply News

By HERB REISER

Editor's Note: This is Herb Reiser's last column, his swan song, before leaving for the Army. Herb has been a faithful worker for his shop in reporting its news, and it has been a pleasure working with him. Lots of luck to you, Herb, and every good wish for your safe and speedy return.

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WHY A BIG ARMY

The average American is unable to understand why the United States needs such a large armed force.

Many of us forget that for every man in actual combat, six are needed to maintain and supply him on the firing lines. An army composed of 11,000,000 men has but 3,000,000 actual soldiers available to do the fighting. Let's not kid ourselves about not needing a large armed force.

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Ken Grove, son of Al Grove, second trick foreman, is leaving for the Navy this month. Ken is a fine fellow and just the type of man our superior Navy wants.

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Cy Grimes and your reporter were inducted into the Army March 12 and are proud to be chosen for such honorable service.

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Louis (flatfoot) Bateman will join the armed forces within the next two weeks. Louis reports he is in fine shape due to his commando training which he received on the third trick. After six months in the Army, it might be that Louis will be better able to take care of himself when he returns to the homestead wars.

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Jackson Fellers who served in the Navy when Theodore Roosevelt ordered the fleet to make its world cruise to impress other countries with our might, reports that Australia was his choice of all the countries visited. The people were friendly, the climate ideal, and the girls beautiful and—.

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Big Ed, the Mayor of Swanton, and his partner, Brother Seal, can both relate tall tales. Despite their whoppers, they are nice fellows.

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Inspector leader Homer Wilgus has decided to work Sundays since Michigan beer parlors will be closing on the Sabbath.

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Joe Cook broke down and visited Dr. Mann's all day Saturday. At last report Joe was doing as well as could be expected.

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Who is that light complexed and promising Dept. 85 gent who brings two dozen raw eggs for his lunch? Remember the old saying, "If at first you don't succeed, suck an egg?" Gosh, how that poor guy's ego went down when his egg eating was discovered by the gang. Never mind pal, you are not the only one, only you try to do something about it.

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Domestic Story: His wife went away for a visit . . . he went out for a couple of stimulants . . . he came home . . . his wife has returned unexpectedly . . . result—Dog House.

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And now, I'm signing off for some time. I hope it won't be long and I want to wish everyone good luck and keep us fighting.

Private Herb Reiser.

Watch Congress

BILL	WHAT IT DOES	ACTION
Hobbs Bill HR 653	Hamstrings unions and war production under mask of "anti-racketeering."	Wire Reps. Martin, McCormack and your own Rep. if still up. Prepare to write Senators on Senate version.
Dies Com.	Com. renewed for two years. New appropriation next step.	Wire your Rep. to appear at Ho. Accounts Co., speak and vote against more money.
1943 tax bill	Ho. Ways and Means finishing hearings on "pay-as-you-go," getting ready for hearings on bills for 1943. Move to kill $25,000 limit as ordered by President.	Still tell your Rep. nix on Ruml plan. Keep up fire on real win-war taxes. Urge your Rep. to pledge to sign petition.
Poll tax repeal	Several bills offered, buried in committee. Discharge petition coming up soon.	Wire Sens. to get bill out of committee, vote for it on floor.
Pepper-Kilgore bill S 607	Creates central plan and agency for total war mobilization.	
H. Res. 36 Tolan Com.	Renews Tolan Com., aids total war mobilization.	Wire your Rep. to get bill out, vote for it.

City Machine and Tool

AROUND THE SHOP

Ed Buckley, who has been on the sick list, is back on the job.

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Dave Brown's father was taken to St. Vincent's Hospital last week after a fall which broke his hip in two places.

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Corp. John Tarjanyi's father passed away Tuesday, March 16. John is with the armed forces somewhere in Africa. John also has two brothers in the service.

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Edward and Ernie Bilaski's father died March 17 following a heart attack. Services were held March 20.

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The match game between the day and night men was a closely contested affair. However, the day men edged out the night crew two out of three games but finished with a mere seven pins to the good.

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Wayne Collum, who has been promoted to seaman first class, has been transferred from the Squantum, Mass., naval base to Norfolk, Va. Wayne wrote us that he made the trip to Norfolk by transport and got a thrill seeing New York City and other coastal cities on his way down. Wayne has a birthday coming up April 7.

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NEW YORK—There's "labor trouble" ahead, Modern Industry, one of the flossiest big business magazines, admitted with a candor lacking in daily newspapers.

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NEW YORK—The Committee for Constitutional Government, exposed by Federated Press as a reactionary anti-labor front of the National Association of Manufacturers, is using New York University letterheads to spread its propaganda.

LABOR FOR VICTORY

NEW YORK, N. Y.—Labor-management cooperation increased output in a war plant here 1500% in two years, and won for the union workers and their employer the Army-Navy "E" award. THE BEST INVESTMENT in the world was given to workers for their practical ideas and suggestions —WAR BONDS.

Champion Sparklets

By SPARKY

The sun may be shining for most folks, but in Dept. K we never know it until the whistle blows. If the windows don't get their annual bath soon, blackouts, to us, will be routine.

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We wonder if the pretty blonde who saves a place at her table each noon for a certain news hound, writes his copy for him. How's about it, J. B.?

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The boys in Dept. B took up a collection the other day and as a result John (Katz) Kajtaniak has a brand new hair cut. Katz didn't seem to mind the old, old one he had, but the boys were worried. Thought if the barber didn't get his hair pretty soon the bending machine would.

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Appeals and reviewing of questionable applications pertaining to rationing will be acted upon by a committee comprised of John Grup, Wm. Lytle, John Holly, DeWayne Wisebaker, Francis Paskowski and Bruce Melvin every Wednesday at 5:00 p. m.

Champion Transportation Committee.

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Who is the country gentleman from West Toledo that is temporarily working in the post department of K? He is having great difficulty about purchasing shrubbery for his beautiful new home. Any legal advice will be greatly appreciated.

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We don't know of anyone who enjoyed becoming a father as much as Bob Youngs. He wore the widest grin this side of heaven the first day after the big event. Yeh, man! It's a boy. And the little fella weighed six pounds, boasted Bob. Congratulations!

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Helen Ewald, the little darling of the punch press girls has gone and got herself a man.

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Is it due to the rationing of typewriter tape, or scarcity of ink, that causes the leaving off of executive signatures from most of the notices that are placed on the time clocks announcing recent promotions?

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Attention Dept. L! Your American flags are becoming quite soiled. Most all dry cleaning establishments consider it a privilege to clean them free of charge.

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After reading last week's column, Jack Anning replies, "Well, if my middle name is Caesar then I'll need a Cleopatra! How about some help, girls?"

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Replying to a recent item in this column which carried the suggestion that we conduct a "most handsome man" contest, Margaret Kreft nominates John (Boot-Nose) Stein. Who'll second it?

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The wife of one of the boys in Eng, Plug Repair breathes a sigh of relief with the coming of an early Spring. The report is: that under no circumstances will he purchase over 3 tons of black diamonds and we mean diamonds.

Porcelain Pot Shots

By DICK SMITH

As the date of our election of officers draws nearer we hear more and more "rumors," or are they? My definition of a rumor is something that is fabricated and can't be proven. These little "things" can and are being proven. Like the guy that charged a 50c fee to fill out and notarize income tax returns, knowing, as any notary public should know, that notarization wasn't necessary this year. This is just an example of the type of committeeman some would have leading our organization. Then there's the one about the cigars, but we've already gone into that, so why smell this up any more than necessary.

In this writer's opinion, and I might add that I'm not alone by far, there are times to change officers and there are definitely times to reelect the same leaders. This year happens to fall in the latter bracket.

We are, in the shop, at a point where, due to new jobs being created, enlargement of certain departments are taking place and with a new and better contract now being negotiated, we cannot, and I feel sure will not, jeopardize our good standing in the Local, or do anything drastic to curtail the progress we are now experiencing in our negotiations.

So let's let our minds rule our pencils on election day and not the wagging tongues of certain selfish, grudge holding individuals who would tear down what we have taken years to accomplish.

HUTCH THROWS AWAY HIS SHOVEL

The city will be saved the trouble of ploughing up at least one Victory garden this spring. Hutch has discovered a new and better way. He just parks his car in the back yard and when he decides to leave — presto—victory garden.

VITA CAPSULES RESPONSIBLE

Not meaning to throw any cold water on Billett's sale of those Vita-Ration capsules but it was reported that Benny Ptake, of the fatigue pants, was one who seldom suffered with a cold but following the day he partook of his first dose of same, he reported for work with a beautiful case of the sniffles. Apparently, he started too late.

MEETING NOTICE

Due to the uncertainty of the working hours of some departments your committee has concurred with the wishes of the maority and hereby call the Regular March Meeting for Sunday morning, March 28, 1943, at 10 a. m. The meeting will be held at Local 12's headquarters as usual and the meeting room number will be posted on the bulletin board inside the entrance of the building.

To be eligible to vote you must have your membership attendance card.

WASHINGTON—The house naval affairs committee has approved the Johnson socalled work or fight bill to meet the problem of absenteeism. The bill is fought by both AFL and CIO.

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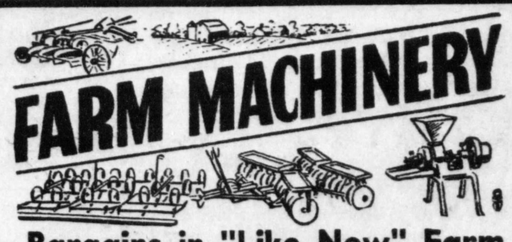

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"UNITED WE STAND"

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Brave New World

Winston Churchill's talk of last Sunday in which he, a conservative leader of a great nation at war, proposed to lead his nation into a "brave new world", must have proven an eye-opener for the reactionaries of America who are living upon the glories of a past era of unrestrained enterprise.

Churchill, while not making any definite promises, because of the uncertainties of the post-war world, did discuss briefly the Beveridge plan of social security, and indicated that the English government is realistically approaching a subject which, unless satisfactorily settled, can but lead to other and bigger wars.

Contrast England with America, where President Roosevelt's recommendation of a similar program hit the headlines for a day and then was not only dropped like a hot potato; but the source of the plan, the National Resources Commission, was treated like an orphan and denied adequate funds to continue its studies by a reactionary congress which might have served the country in 1920, but which is out of tune with the economic realities of the present.

Instead of making it possible for we of America to achieve a similar brave new world such as that envisioned by Churchill, congress, in its attempt to preserve the selfish old world, may lead us to other dark days and bring disaster down upon our heads.

A brave new world is what the workers of America want once this war is over. Those who impede the way are the enemies of America, the forces of invincible ignorance seeking to preserve that which is dead but needs interment.

Log Rolling

In an editorial of a few days ago, the Lima News came out with the statement that "the CIO has more to gain from raiding and less to lose than the AF of L."

Frankly, the Lima News is talking through its editorial bonnet, for it is not the CIO or the AF of L which gains or loses, but the workers themselves. As a matter of fact, the workers must believe themselves the gainers or else they would not continue to come, shop after shop, into the UAW-CIO, and not as a result of CIO raiding; but through their own volition.

Nor is it true that the public is holding the bag, nor public trust betrayed, when a group of AF of L employes for good and weighty reasons desert the older labor organization and enter the UAW.

As a matter of fact, and the records bear this out, production has been improved in practically every shop which has come into the UAW, due to the fact that better contracts are secured which give the workers seniority, grievance adjustments, higher wages and better working conditions which improve worker morale and make for improved production.

Obviously, the Lima News has a log to roll. Could it possibly be due to the fact that the Lima Locomotive Works election is near and the News is not exactly disinterested?

What About It, Mr. Bricker?

Governor John Bricker, who has ambitions to be president of the post-war United States, must have some opinions with respect to the anti-labor bills which have been introduced into the Ohio legislature.

It is no more than right and fitting that the governor should express himself one way or the other on these bills, for if he is desirous of obtaining labor's vote in the next election, he could do nothing better to advance his political fortunes than declare himself opposed to bills which would turn back the clock for labor, or make it impossible for labor unions to exist under the terms of House Bill 193.

Silence is not going to satisfy workers of Ohio or any other state, for whatever Governor Bricker believes about labor in Ohio, he believes about labor in other states, and his beliefs are going to either make or break him.

How about it, Governor Bricker? Just where do you stand?

Washington Scene

By VIRGINIA GARDNER

By Federated Press

VIRGINIA STEPS OUT

A wartime feature of Washington is seeing people you have not seen in 15 years. On account of this I've found myself at times in strange places, like the Army and Navy Club and the Shoreham Hotel blue room, listening to strange talk. But never more than once. at least with the same people.

Virginia Gardner

Some of them are very nice people in their way, no doubt. They start out being very tolerant, like my friend last night, who said ingratiatingly:

"Well, so you're writing for labor? That's very good. Very good. I'll give you a good tip. Don't go off on a tangent. Study Mark Sullivan. He's solid—"

"But I'd rather read Herbert Hoover in the original," I began. Then, remembering my resolve not to get in any arguments, I added lamely, "Not that Sullivan can be laughed off."

Heaven, no, I thought, while he nodded sagely and sai l, "Hoover's good, too, but he isn't so long on style."

RESORTS TO SCOTCH

Weakly I ordered a second Scotch. I needed it. With his second, he seemed just to grow more sober and worried, though. "Now, a lot of this legislation that's being introduced isn't needed," he said, leaning near in his earnestnss. "All they really need is federal regulation for unions. And the Republicans will support that. They're afraid to come out on some of the more—ah—sensational bills. Afraid of 1944. But that will pass." He actually smiled.

"Don't be too sure," I began. Then, determined to be feminine, I said, "Let's dance."

But before I had time to remember what it was like dancing with him 15 years ago, he breathed on my neck and said softly: "And what do you think of Rickenbacker?"

"What do you think? Do tell me what you think of Rickenbacker," I encouraged him.

"I don't think anything about him—except that he's a great hero," he said. "A lucky man—to get out of the Pacific alive."

LET'S EAT

"That's nothing compared to how lucky he'll be—" But I thought better of it. "Let's eat," I said cheerily.

"It would be good for you to write for the Associated Press for a while," he said, deliberately cutting into a steak larger than five San Diego war workers have in as many weeks. "Objectivity. That's what you lack."

"Now, myself, I don't let either Tom Girdler or Phil Murray influence me."

"I'm sure you don't," I cooed. "I think you're wonderful, to resist them that way. But, you know, labor's not fighting Tom Girdler these days. It's too busy fighting Hitler. You know, labor and management—"

"I guess you're going to tell me labor's given up striking," he said, with a little jeer. But he was broadminded. He reached over and patted my hand. "Glad you don't wear that gaudy nail polish, at any rate."

WESTBROOK AND CLARE

"Now, as I was saying, about strikes—or rather, I mean, absenteeism. That's the big thing. The big worry. There are no figures on it. Why do you think there are no figures?" he said, with a squeeze of the hand. "Because Madame Perkins and the rest of the New Deal crowd that's coddled labor doesn't want to reveal how much of it's due to hangovers—"

"May I leave quietly?" I said, retrieving my hand, "or do you want me to call the manager and explain that you're an amnesia victim and that you think this is heaven and you're Westbrook Pegler out with Clare Luce?"

Free From Distractions

It's News to Me

By O. J. PECORD

BATTLE OF AMERICA

World War II has seen some impressive battles, including the battle of France, the Battle of the Atlantic, the Battle of Russia, the Battle of Production and Transportation and other battles; but there is one battle which has been neglected in the press releases in which we are all vitally interested—the Battle of America.

O. J. Pecord

This Battle of America is not one that is fought with arms and tanks and planes and guns; but the struggle of those who are most interested in winning this war, for the right to continue to belong to organizations of their own choice, free from the attacks of those who seem to believe labor must be broken in order to save the world from Naziism.

The Battle of America is being fought with instruments called the National War Labor Board, the Office of Price Administration, the congress, the various state legislatures, the Peglers, the Rickenbackers, the National Association of Manufacturers, reactionary management, the Claire Luce's, the ignorant, the reactionary, the stupid and a coalition of other blind forces almost too numerous to mention.

WHO WILL WIN?

We in America are dedicated to fight that the four freedoms shall be preserved. We have pledged our time, efforts, money and even our lives to the proposition that freedom and right shall prevail. We have fastened our hopes to a high idealism which doesn't seem consistent with the realities of the situation.

Yet, while men and women work and toil and sweat and bleed for a cause which they have tritd to keep holy; the selfish, greedy, predatory interests which nearly wrecked the country on the altar of blind and stupid selfishness in 1929 are again at work, this time intent on accomplishing their will, come what may.

And the Hobbs, the Johnsons, the Austins, and other legislative stooges for an outmoded, decadent and depraved group of reactionary diehards, man the legislative guns to kill the goose that not only lays the golden egg; but the goose that lays all the eggs upon which these bloated and purblind masters live and prosper.

Who wins the Battle of America now being waged in the legislative halls of state and national capitals, and before the various governmental bureaus is going to determine to a considerable extent the length of the combat in Europe and Asia. In fact, if labor loses the Battle of America, the victory for the greedy may indeed prove a national catastrophe.

EQUALITY OF SACRIFICE

While the big names of the NAM and stooges like Rickenbacker go about the country and tell the workers about the poor soldiers fighting and dying in the foxholes for $50 a month and denounce labor for asking for wages enough to meet the constantly spiraling cost of living, other big names get congress to nullify the presidential executive order limiting incomes to $25,000 per year, in order that equality of sacrifice might be utterly destroyed.

If we were not at war and our boys did not need the materials of war, the insolent effrontery of these selfish double-crossers would meet a protest that would throw fear into their hearts. But, this is war, and there is only one thing we can do, and that is wait. There always comes a day, and we of labor can afford the coming of peace btfore declaring war on those whose hearts are made of the same material as their heads—stone.

Restrain ourselves we must; but not to the point of failing to let the selfish and blinded Bourbons of great wealth know that they head the list of unfinished business which we are going to take care of once this war has been won and we return to the pursuits of peace.

Have patience workers, justice and right are on our side and time is fleeting.

Letters From Servicemen

Hellow fellows:—

Just a note to tell you thanks again for the boxes you send. Really appreciate them. When it gets around the first week of the month I get to looking for it. Especially the stuff in it. Saves us fellows money. The smokes, candy, gum, toilet articles, shaving soap and everything else sure comes in handy. If I need any thing very badly don't worry, will write to you, before you send the box.

But it really peps a fellow up to know that the friends he left at the shop still think of him, and I hope you fellows keep up the good work, because we will always remember it. And if ever we get the chance to help you out I know we will remember what you have done for us. So I will say so long again and thanks for myself and all the other fellows from the City Machine and Tool.

Keep 'em flying.

Bill
Pvt. William Braker,
313 Materiel Sqd.,
Morrison Field,
West Palm Beach, Fla.
U. S. A. A. F.

Dear Brothers and Sisters:

Just a few lines to thank each and every one for another swell box that I have received. I also would like to thank the Local for seeing that I had a bonus check coming. I received the check the other day and I was sure thankful. It wasn't much, but something I didn't know I had coming.

The Willys are surely doing their part toward the winning of this war.

It surely shows that everyone is on the "ball," by being awarded the Army and Navy "E" pennant for efficiency. I'm sure proud of the factor I used to work for.

I have been driving a Willys jeep for a long time. Now you sure did a swell job, putting out the new quarter-ton trailers. I have one behind me and they really do the job.

Enclosed are more coupons.

Thanks again for the swell box.

PFC. CLARENCE L. SOUSLIN,
Camp Livingston, La.

Dear Mr. Gosser:

I wish to express my appreciation to you and all the brothers and sisters in Local 12 for the boxes sent us in the service. I also look forward to seeing our union papers.

The boxes are just what we can use. I know how every soldier feels when he receives one. I am happy because I know now my contributions helped when I was working at W-O before entering the Army. I am surely getting the benefits now from other brothers and sisters now that I am in the service. Thanks to you and all the members.

Sincerely yours,
PVT. JAMES A. MOORE.

Letters To The Editor

Dear Sir:

I wonder how many of the workers in the plants read the editorial page of the Toledo Union Journal.

No doubt you have many compliments on your paper, but I want to say that I consider your editorial page one of the finest I have ever seen in any paper, labor or otherwise.

The editorials are timely and well written, not just a lot of words thrown together like in so many daily papers. And the special features, such as Washington Scene, It's News to Me, What's New, Gosser's article and Melvin Schultz' timely items make up a well-rounded page.

I believe our people are neglecting a good bet when they do not use the "Editor's Mail" to express their opinions about many of the things that are going on in the world. The paper has shown its willingness to print the articles and you would think there would be at least three or four workers a week who would have something to say that everybody would be interested in.

Keep up the good work and here's wishing you a lot of success.

Sincerely and fraternally yours,
GRANVILLE DAY,
W.-O. Unit.

Spring and Frustration

Robert Burkart

NATURE AWAKENS

'Tis spring and nature awakens! The little birdie twitters in the tree tops; the rabbit leaps forth from his burrow with renewed vigor; even the lowly worm quickens the tempo of his squirming crawl in subterranean passages.

With all the world heralding by devious reactions the glad new season, who are you and I to resist?

Yes, indeed, this is the time of year when not only we humans, but all visible life are stirred with a vague uneasiness which the cynics and scientists claim is purely biological.

TAKING ISSUE

I take issue with the fleshy viewpoint, and by way of proof submit evidence that this motivating stimulation is creative as well as procreative.

It is but March and at my advanced age one could hardly expect, as yet, this annual warm glow to penetrate my thick hide and inspire the inner man. But I have delved into my literary archives and come up with the following, written at the tender, susceptible age of 18 and in the spring of the year. Let me say that if any of the characters portrayed bear any resemblance to any person living or dead, it is purely coincidental.

This ode is not intended to be a blanket indictment of the gentler sex, and I hope none takes offense. If any of them do, my latest known address is Sinkiang Province, China.

I WISH

I wish, I wish I might have lived
in those enchanted years,
When Tristram wooed his dear
Isolde, and Launcelot, Guinevere.
When dragons roamed through
gloomy woods, and frightened
ladies fair,
Till spurred and armored men of
might didst slay them in their
lair.
I long to live like Galahad, that
peerless knight of yore,
To risk my life for good and
right, and wicked deeds deplore.
Though fate decreed I live today,
my heart lives in the past,
When virtue was a holy thing
and love fore'er did last.
So while I chat with modern
girls my thoughts are far
afield,
I catch the blows of phantom
giants upon a phantom shield.
And when at last I've conquered
all who dare oppress the weak,
I stand beside the one I love and
kiss the blushing cheek.

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I waken from my reverie to face
my Guinevere,
She yawns a bit and then suggests — "Let's have another
beer."

It's A Great System!

By JOHN PAINE

LITTLE LUTHER

"We're going places in this war at last," remarked Mr. Dilworth, looking up from the Chicago Tribune editorial page.

"Yes, it's wonderful what we are doing in Tunisia," Little Luther replied.

"But nothing to compare with what we did in Topeka. Did you see that wonderful law they passed out there for the regulation of unions?"

"But what have they done about beating the Axis?"

"That we can leave to the military men. Here at home we have a war to win against bureaucracy, governmental and unionistic."

"Don't you want to lick Tojo, Pop?"

"Of course. Once we have Roosevelt on the run, it will be easy to get Hitler and Tojo."

"Into the White House?"

"I don't like to hear you expressing disloyal statements like that, my boy. As Senator O'Daniel says, Roosevelt the commander-in-chief is one thing and Roosevelt the reformer is another. The same way with unions. Unions, like Negroes, are all right if they keep their places."

"In the Kansas jails?"

"Jail may be the only cure for absenteeism at that."

"But, Daddy, we weren't talking about absenteeism."

"It's all the same thing, Luther. The soft living under the New Deal and the independence of the workers under unionism are to blame for absenteeism. Give a worker an inch and he'll take a day off."

"So you and the Kansas legislature want to give him six inches —of lead pipe—over the head."

International Assessment

By Melvin Schultz, President, Local No. 12, UAW-CIO.

In its recent meeting in Columbus, the International Executive Board, United Automobile Workers, CIO, passed a resolution assessing the UAW-CIO membership $1.00 which is to be paid before May 1. Information of the assessment has been transmitted to all UAW locals, including Local 12.

Melvin Schultz

This assessment was passed by the International after due consideration and discussion and there is nothing we can do about it except to accept the diction and pay the stipulated sum.

It is impossible for me to enter into a detailed discussion of the financial standing of the International Union and believe that most of the readers of this paper read the report of the financial secretary George Addes, which was published in the Toledo Union Journal two weeks ago.

MESSAGE FROM INTERNATIONAL

In his report of the financial standing of the International, Brother Addes commented that the organization was not wealthy and that the small surplus held by the Union would, in the event of unemployment following the war vanish very quickly.

Brother Addes also recommended that the dues be increased for the duration of the war by a small amount. this increase to cease immediately upon the end of the war. The fund which would be built up by the small increase would provide a surplus which would make it possible for the International Union to carry on more efficiently after the war in event of a mass unemployment due to reconversion back to peace-time industry.

It seems to me that the International officers should be in a better position to know the financial standing and needs of the organization, a knowledge which I must confess I do not have other than the report which is received by all Locals affiliated with the UAW International. On the basis of the recent financial report, I would not consider the $1.00 assessment to be exoribant and would say that I am of the opinion that the International passed it only as a last resort.

SURPLUS MIGHT VANISH

In view of the fact that the financial statement of the International Union is available to all members, those who would like more detailed information about the financial status of their Union may secure a statement by writing George Addes, International Financial Secretary, Milwaukee Ave., Detroit, Mich. Brother Addes will mail you a copy upon your request for same.

For my own part, I am satisfied that the assessment would not have been levied were there not real need for it, and since we are all members of the International and have benfited by our membership, we should consider it our duty to cheerfully pay the assessment.

When we consider the work which the International is doing in Washington during wartime, representing our interests before the War Labor Board, the OPA, the Manpower Commission and other governmental bureaus, it must impress us that the organization has been forced because of circumstances, to increase the scope of its work and therefore is forced to expend a greatly increased amount of money in protecting our interests.

What's New?

By EDWARD J. DUCK,
Educational Director, Local 12, UAW-CIO

SMART GUY

"Don't get the idea that you know it all and that you are too smart to attend a discussion group. There isn't a person living who can't learn something by exchanging ideas. If by any chance you think you know everything, don't be selfish about it—attend a class and give others the benefit of your wisdom."

Edward Duck

This is the answer to the small minority of our membership which confines its activities to beer parlor negotiations and restroom orations. There are some, even, who timidly confide their opinions to their wives and husbands, rather than bring these ideas out into the open. When an organizer begins making house-calls he learns all kinds of things!

My first experience in the field of discussion groups began two years ago when I made hundreds of house-calls in the Champion Spark Plug organizational drive. The amount of misinformation coming from the feminine members of the company union was really stupendous. What they didn't know about their own departments would have filled volumes!

NO DIPLOMAS

The same is true of our own membership, to a certain extent, and if you want to be more specific, you could even accuse a few of the shop stewards and committeemen with what might be termed "willful ignorance." Because your fellow workers elect you to represent them doesn't mean that you have earned your diploma. If you are really conscientious, your advancement in unionism will begin from that point.

The first official discussion group I ever attended was called the DeSales College Industrial Conference. There, leaders of the CIO, A. F. of L. and Typographical Workers met with a number of DeSales professors, and discussed labor relations and labor problems. This was two years ago.

Various members of the group took their turn in leading the discussions, which were held semi-monthly. Attendance was by invitation only, and Tom Burke had suggested my name to the group. Luckily, I was accepted. I learned much from this group, and attending the sessions was fun. (It was fun "taking off" on a few professors, too. We educated them.)

No one asked the discussion leader to prove his qualifications, and everyone didn't try to force his opinions on the others. We put something into the discussions and got a great deal out of them.

DONT'T FOOL YOURSELF

The person who thinks he has nothing to gain by attending the Local 12 collective bargaining classes is fooling no one but himself. The men and women who are taking part in these sessions are already far advanced in industrial unionism, and are capable of playing a part in leading the

Theatre Party Promises To Be Successful

Political Group To Present Special Features at Capitol

Several added feature acts, including two of Toledo's outstanding dancers and a group of well-known Negro singers, will be part of the show to be presented at the Capitol Theatre, March 31, under the auspice sof the Political Activities Committee of Local 12, UAW-CIO.

Committee members in charge of the show arrangements promise the theatre offerings will be even better than usual with good comedy provided by the popular Charles Robinson, who is always good for a lot of laughs and a comely chorus which can really sing and dance.

She Spurned Hitler

As a special feature, Manager Bill Collins of the Capital is presenting Magda Loy a young lady of talent who had the distinguished honor of refusing to stage her performance before Hitler. Other regular items of entertainment, including novelty acts will be on tap.

Melvin Schultz, Local 12 president, expressed the hope that the show would be well patronized.

In a statement to the Political Activities Show Committee, Mr. Schultz said, "I hope that everyone interested in the political organization and the fine work it is doing will support our efforts in behalf of the members of the Local by purchasing a ticket for the theatre party. The funds will go to support the work of the group which are more important now than ever before".

To Benefit From Show

Committee members indicate that the ticket sale has been lively and hope that enough tickets will be sold to fill the three performances in which the political activities group will participate. Performances will be at 2:00 p. m., 7:30 and 9:30 p. m. Tickets may be purchased from any member of the committee or shop stewards.

Committee in charge of arrangements are George O'Henry, chairman, Wm. Joy, Pete Griffin, Herman Hoppe, Lewis Mattox, Earl Ordway and Florence Wolf.

Educational Committee Chosen By Local

To Aid Organizational Program

Appointment of an educational committee to formulate and carry out the educational program of Local 12 was announced early this week by Edward Duck, educational director of the Local.

Participants in the collective bargaining class and discussion group will comprise the personnel of the educational department, which will also aid in the organizational work of the Local.

To Undertake Organizing Work

One of the first tasks assigned the educational department is that of organizing a local plant. House calls will be assigned the members of the educational department which will give them experience and the opportunity to develop their knowledge of Unionism. Results of the campaign will be announced at a later date.

Following are members of the educational department: Willys-Overland — Richard Schliebner, Clayton Rusch, John Hough, Lester Nichols, Harold Tull, Arnold Shenofsky, Elizabeth Bichols, Ben Baum, Chester Sieminski, James Feeney and Paul Seren.

Spicer—Paul Nay and Minfield Vernier; Surface Combustion, Richard Bowers, Ralph Thompson, Robert Baer, Stanley Boyer, Eldon Duncan and Harold R. Wall.

Many Shops Represented

S. M. Jones — Joseph Kelly, Charles Marchant and George Ulrich; Chapion Spark Plug—Karl Dahlmann; Wilver Marks-National Supply; Toledo Industrial Rubber, Felix Lubomski, Homer Gladney, Rose Kish, Ray LaMunyon and Myrtle Foxe; American Can—Theodore Modrowski and Elmer Seegert; Toledo Scale—Harold Billheimer and Roy Howland; Swartzbaugh — Chester Glazer, Carl Jahns, Don Kuhnle, Margaret H. Vegh, Elmore Tressler and Roy Edmonds.

Classes are held each Tuesday at 10:30 a. m. and 8:00 p. m. in Parlor C, of Local 12 headquarters, 425 Winthrop St. Any member is welcome to attend and bring a friend or two regardless whether they are members of the Local or

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NEW YORK—President John L. Lewis of United Mine Workers (unaffiliated) warned northern Appalachian coal operators in wage negotiations that unless a satisfactory contract was signed, 450,000 miners in this area would not go to work April 2.

Heroes In Denim

American workers, eagerly awaiting a crushing offensive against the Axis, are turning out war material faster than ever. Highlights and sidelights of their performances are presented here weekly by Federated Press in a roundup of news from the WPB labor press service.

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Although February is the shortest month of the year, more guns, planes and ships were produced during its 28 days than in any other month since Pearl Harbor, according to the army and navy.

During February, Under Secretary of War Robert P. Patterson reported, the U. S. turned out $1,932,000 high explosive shells, 419,000 bombs of all sizes, 8,000 cannon for airplanes, 2,000 anti-aircraft guns and a total of $1,244,000,000 cartridges, a rate of more than 500 cartridges a second.

"We hope," Patterson said, "that this information comes to the attention of Hitler, who less than a year ago told us it could not be done."

A similar report was made by Secretary of the Navy Frank Knox, who said that completed combat surface ships alone last month totalled 200,000 tons, representing 130 new ships and 20 converted cargo ships. Aircraft construction set a nevy record with 1,400 new planes accepted.

More than 700 landing ships were built, arguring well for a second front.

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Remember the Guadalcanal smear of union seamen that turned out to be a fake? Well, here's a true story of union men at Guadalcanal that the newspapers didn't print.

It was brought back by Sgt. James W. Hurlbut, marine corps combat correspondent, who tells how AFL men, now serving as mechanics with the marine aviation branch, downed their tools to fight the Japanese.

"Frequently I saw those mechanics drop their wrenches and grab their rifles and go to work killing Japanese," Hurlbut reports. "When they finished that task, they went back to working on motors and planes."

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Eddie Rickenbacker never heard of Domenick Carotenuto and even if he did, he wouldn't believe he could exist.

Domenick is a member of the United Auto Workers (CIO) working in the Brewster aircraft plant at Newark, N. J. He started out for work one morning when it was 10 degrees below zero. He had to wait 3½ hours for busses but rather than be absent from work he stuck it out.

When he finally arrived at the plant, six miles from his home, he collapsed from exposure and frostbite. Scores of other workers were treated for frostbite that morning, but all of them went ahead and did a day's work.

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Women are taking leadership in production. Typical of them is Marie McPherson of the United Electrical Radio & Machine Workers (CIO) in Mt. Carmel, Ill., and Bonnie Lee of the Intl. Bro. of Electrical Workers (AFL) in Indianapolis.

Mrs. McPherson was nominated by her plant superintendent to head the labor-management committee there. Mrs. Lee won a certificate from the navy for a suggestion saving 3,000 manhours on each phone unit produced at her plant.

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The United Rubber Workers (CIO) "Cause and Cure" campaign on absenteeism has been singled out for praise by Rear Admiral C. H. Woodward, chief of the navy's industrial encentive division.

WASHINGTON—Big department stores are carrying on a secret campaign to destroy the efficiency of the OPA program, the Federated Press has learned exclusively.

Hollywood Lot

By Ted Taylor

GIRLS ENTERTAIN SOLDIERS

Acting was only a minor part of the job done by those four members of the Screen Actors Guild who landed back in Hollywood the other day after a 4-month tour of American army camps in the British Isles and North Africa.

They did two or more shows a day. They kept on the go—never more than two days in a place. They wore tin hats. They found out what it is like to be bombed. And on air hops between camps they saw planes shot down around them.

When the girls would roll in a jeep into a North African army post, soldiers turned and stared with open mouths. "Gee! American girls!" they said, or "Gosh! That can't be Carole Landis!"

SURPRISE THE BOYS

So entertainment on a makeshift platform was only part of the job for Carole Landis, Kay Francis, Mitzi Mayfair and Martha Raye. The important thing was that they were American girls dropping in casually on American boys who the moment before had thought themselves half way across the earth from home.

While in Ireland, Scotland, Wales, England these Hollywood girls got up early in the unheated boarding houses or homes. After a cup of tea they were taken to camp. There they circulated all morning among the men, just talking to individuals or small groups.

About two in the afternoon the girls would put on their first show. Meals were eaten with the men, standing in the mud beside the mess truck. They got along without maid service, manicurists or hairdressers. They washed their own things at night and dried them over a candle. It was the farthest from Hollywood that Carole and Kay and Mitzi and Martha had ever been. And the closest to America.

SWEATERS AID GLAMOR

Personal appearance was the toughest problem for the girls. They knew they must look glamorous. Miss Landis reports they relied considerably on their sweaters.

Carole, incidentally, is going back as soon as she works in Four Girls in a Jeep and a second picture for 20th Century-Fox. She met and married Capt. Thomas L. Wallace of the American Air Force in London.

Turning to the Hollywood front:

GOOD NEIGHBORS: Laurel and Hardy plot a goodwill gesture to Spanish-speaking America. They will film the adventures of Don Quixote and Sancho Panza at the Azteca studios in Mexico City.

SHELVED: Word passed around is that the plan to film Eddie Rickenbacker's life is being shelved. (See, folks, your vote is good in Hollywood.)

BONUS: Louis B. Mayer got a $1,500 raise last year, bringing his salary to $157,500. If you think that's good, on top of it Loews Inc. (MGM) handed him a bonus of $792,265. Now you see why the MGM lion roars.

RECRUIT: Waitress in the Universal studio commissary quit to join the WAACs, who will send her overseas as an interpreter. Name is Deanna Dionne—the quintuplets call her Aunty.

PRICE: MGM is paying $135,000 for 30 Seconds Over Tokio. It's a story—bomb-by-bomb accoust by one of Jimmy Doolittle's pilots. The original 30 seconds cost plenty, too, and worth every War Stamp of it. (Advt.)

LABOR FOR VICTORY

ROANOKE, Va.—Local unions in Virginia are helping their members with income tax data. The textile workers' union officials aided more than 400 workers with their tax forms. . . . Whether it's war taxes or War Bonds, it's money for Uncle Sam's war needs. IT TAKES BOTH is the new slogan along the production front as workers buy more bonds and pay their taxes—all to beat the Axis.

Playing At Esquire

Preston Foster gives tender assurance to his wife, Frances Gifford, during the swiftly-paced action of "American Empire" "the historic epic of the Southwest which is currently on the screen of the Esquire Theatre.

Rickenbacker Proposes War Mothers' Club To Fight Labor

Succeed in Uniting CIO and AFL

By Federated Press

INDIANAPOLIS—Eddie Rickenbacker came to Indiana to propose organization of a national war mothers' club whose chief purpose would be to push anti-labor legislation. The first result of Rickenbacker's speech here—his most vicious yet—was to bring about a united front of CIO and AFL in this city.

Incensed by a double cross from Indianapolis industrialists who, knowing that production morale here is high, had promised that the airlines magnate would not attack labor, the AFL and CIO formed committees to organize a united labor for victory front at once.

Rick Causes Time Loss

Col. Arthur Herrington, who heads the big Marmon-Herrington war plant here (and is a lifelong friend of Rickenbacker) accepted responsibility of convincing the airlines Magnate that Indiana labor did not deserve a spanking. But Rickenbacker, with venom in his voice and the Natl. Assn. of Manufacturers in the audience, could not restrain himself.

Decrying absenteeism, Rick caused the loss of more than 700 manhours of production when he spoke for 22 minutes before 2,000 workers in the Allison Division, General Motors, only source for the famous Allison engine.

Hero Booed Out

There were boos and Rick was spirited out the side door of the plant cafeteria and did not return as scheduled to address the next shift.

Governor Henry F. Shricker did his best (in a flat sort of way) to take the wind out of Rickenbacker's sails by praising labor's record in the introduction. Rick responded with a previously released speech that took the varnish off of a statewide production movement.

PITTSBURGH — The National War Labor Board was accused by CIO President Philip Murray of violating the government's wage policy in recent decisions.

How About These 258,000 Absentees?

Lack of War Contracts Causes Unemployment

By Federated Press

NEW YORK—There are in this city 258,000 skilled workers who have been absentees from war production for months, through no fault of their own.

Reactionaries who support the Johnson socalled work or fight bill to meet absenteeism by compulsion remain silent on the failure of the War Production Board to give war contracts to New York City so these men could go to work.

Lack of war orders was blamed by City Commerce Commissioner George A. Sloan for the mass unemployment.

Plant Under 40 Hours

Ten thousand men could be put to work in shipyards here immediately if only the city could get more repair contracts and many thousands more could get work in other yards that need only a little help to get started.

"New York plants generally," Sloan reported, "are still operating less than one full shift of 40 hours and we still have the problem of unemployment as distinguished from labor shortages in most industrial areas.

"Because New York City is primarily a manufacturing community of 25,000 small businesses producing civilian products the problem of converting to war work is of proportionate size. The problem, however, can be solved."

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CIO War Chest Host To Officers

To Explain Toledo Plan

Monroe Sweetland and George Delaplane from the national and regional offices of the CIO Committee for American and Allied War Relief will be in Toledo April 8 to attend a dinner meeting of CIO shop stewards, committeemen and their guests.

Invitations announcing the meeting, to be held at the Y. M. C. A., were mailed this week to more than 200 sewards and committeemen, by Richard Lazette, chairman of the local CIO Committee for American and Allied Wor Relief Director.

Mr. Sweetland is national director and Mr. Delaplane is the recently appointed regional director of CIO War Relief activities.

To Explain War Chest

The April 8 meeting will be the second in a series of such gatherings planned to keep CIO members informed of war relief work, especially as related to War Chest activities.

Those who attended the first meeing, Mr. Lazette said, can look forward to a meeting that will be equally entertaining and instructive.

Principal speaker will be Mr. Sweetland, who recently sent a letter here praising the efforts of local CIO members in connection with the War Chest. Local union officials and Chest representatives will also participate in the program at the Y. M. C. A., Mr. Lazette announced.

AFL, CIO Unite 60,000 War Workers

SPRINGFIELD, Mass. (FP)—A joint AFL-CIO win-the-war committee representing 60,000 war workers in this area has been formed, and as its first task will seek to remove the causes of absenteeism.

Meetings are to be held by the committee with management rephesentatives on absenteeism. It is the committee's opinion that absenteeism is neither the fault of the unions nor of the management but that the two working together can cure it.

Joint political action also was taken by the committee at its first meeting when it condemned the Hobbs socalled anti-racketeering bill.

LONG ISLAND CITY, N. Y. — Henry J. Kaiser as chairman of the board of directors of the Brewster Aeronautical Corp. is a welcome change to United Auto Workers (CIO) locals which have contracts with Brewster here and in Johnsville, Pa.

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Management Gives Absenteeism Cure

RCA Absenteeism Nears Vanishing Point

NEW YORK, March 24.—Absenteeism can be wiped out by decent working conditions and stable labor relations, according to an unprecedented joint statement by the labor-management victory committee at RCA Communications Inc., detailing its own excellent attendance record.

Absenteeism at the company, a subsidiary of the Radio Corp. of America, is down to 0.6% as compared with what the experts call an irreducible 2%.

A survey of absenteeism was conducted among RCAC's 1,000 employes in 12 cities in the Atlantic seaboard district by a joint committee, consisting of six representatives of the company and six representatives of the American Communications Assn. (CIO).

Cure for Absenteeism

The reasons for the outstanding work record of all RCAC employes were summed up as follows:

Reasonable working hours; a basic 5-day week; liberal vacations with pay; liberal paid legal holiday provisions and time-and-a-half for overtime; equitable wage rates; liberal sick benefits; group insurance; stabilized labor relations affecting a majority of employes through a collective bargaining agreement.

"This study is a scientific answer," ACA Pres. Joseph Selly commented, "to the hysterical, intemperate and unfounded charges now being made that many hours are being lost in vital war industries solely because workers are absent from their jobs 'for no apparent reason'."

WASHINGTON—In an orgy of double talk the house appropriations committee warned of possible "disastrous" effects unless adequate labor is obtained to help produce food, and deduced the Department of Agriculture's request for $65,075,000 to recruit 3,500,000 new workers as "excessive."

Miscelany

by Mike Bracy

ABSENTEEISM

A report by the National Resources Planning Board points out that all is not well with the health of the people.

The first medical examination of draftees indicated that more than 40 per cent were classified as unfit for general military service. Three years before, a report of the technical committee on medical care showed that on an average day, 4,000,000 persons were disabled by illness, which over the period of one year amounted to 400,000,000 man days with a resulting economic loss of ten billion dollars.

Recommendation by the board were health measures to eliminate all diseases, disabilities and premature deaths which are preventable.

A thorough study of this report by any fair investigating committee would do much to help clear up the issue of absenteeism.

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KEEPER OF THE FLAME

This film now playing at Loew's Valentine Theater is well worth seeing. After looking it over, we wonder why the Coughlins, Smiths, Rickenbackers and similar patriots did not protest the filming of this good picture.

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ENOUGH FOODSTUFFS

United States and Canadian wheat reserves are now nearing the 1,500,000,000-bushel mark. This represents enough wheat to provide half a loaf of bread for every man, woman and child from Gibraltar to Leningrad, Norway to Greece, even if all other cereal supplies should utterly fail.

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ENOUGH AIRPLANES

Now approaching a rate of 2,000 planes a week, the aviation industry when converted to peacetime production can turn out transports, private planes, autos and even houses in unprecedented numbers.

A rise in price of $4 a ton for standard newsprint paper was approved jointly by the OPA and the Canadian Wartime Prices and Trade Board.

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Willys Unit To Stage Headpin Tournament

Tentative Plans Made For April Contest

Big Prize List To Be Posted

Willys-Overland Unit, UAW-CIO, affiliated with Local 12, has plans made for holding a headpin tournament, dates for which have tentatively been set at April 16, 17 and 18.

Plans for the tournament are being made by a committee headed by Anthony (Bud) Pacholski, chairman; Ted Supica, Frank Plewa, Hazel Reed, Charles Urbanski, Frank Chalkee and Roy Blair. (Other members of the committee will be announced in next week's edition.)

A number of alleys are under consideration by the tournament committee and announcement of the place will be made next week.

Guaranteed Prize List

A guaranteed prize list will insure worth-while rewards for those fortunate enough to place in the running. According to Chairman Pacholski, the prizes will pay well on down the line.

The tournament will be open to both men and women, members of the Willys-Overland organization.

Commenting on the tournament, Chairman Pacholski said "I am positive this will be one of the biggest headpin tournaments ever staged anywhere by a single shop union. Reaction around the shop indicates that there will be a large number of entries; besides, when our prize list is published, everybody will want to take a crack at the pins. We are really going to have prizes. Even the occasional or dub bowlers will stand a good chance to at least get their money back".

Entry blanks may be obtained after this week from any member of the committee, members of the shop executive committee or departmental stewards.

UAW Men To Renew Contact In Camp

Invited By War Department

By Federated Press

DETROIT, March 22.—Close to 300 key men of the United Auto Workers (CIO) left Detroit March 21 for a three-day pow-wow under army conditions with their fellow members in uniform at Camp Atterbury, near Indianapolis.

The journey is at the invitation of the war department "to promote the closest possible relationship between the soldiers of the production front and the soldiers of the fighting front," as Undersecretary of War Robert P. Patterson wrote to president R. J. Thomas of the union.

The army asked for representatives from key plants and the actual contingent was a sprinkling of international representatives, local officers and shop stewards and committeemen.

Experience to Aid Production

Replying to Patterson, Thomas said he was sure the men making the trip would reap great benefit and would transform their experiences into increased application to the industrial war effort.

While reports of antiunion feeling have come from a number of camps, whipped up by the speeches of Natl. Assn. of Manufacturers' stooges like Eddie Rickenbacker, reports of the opposite nature also are on file.

For example a corporal in the Marine Corps writes to his local union in the UAW-CIO:

"Right now I am stationed at a Marine air base awaiting completion of our squadron. Many of the Marines here are CIO members and we like nothing better than converting some antiunion man into a bonafide union man. After a little talk you'd be surprised how they see the light."

Sport Quiz

By "RED" BIALECKI

You sports fans who like your baseball early and who have, no doubt, been reading about the changing of the baseball training camps due to the war, will want to try out your memories on the following places, all of which have appeared in the sports news recently. Name the places where the spring training camps are located for the following teams:

1. Pittsburgh Pirates.
2. Brooklyn Dodgers.
3. New York Yankees.
4. Detroit Tigers.
5. Cincinnati Reds.
6. St. Louis Cardinals.
7. Cleveland Indians.
8. New York Giants.
9. Chicago White Sox.
10. St. Louis Browns.

Answers in Column 6.

Conservation News

By O. J. Pecord

SPRING MEMOS

This is the time of year to—

Think about that victory garden.

To buy a 1943 fishing license and to check over the fishing tackle. Remember it is difficult to secure new equipment so make the best of what you can or let your dealer have that fly rod repaired.

To place your order for the food and cover tree units which the Ohio Division of Conservation and Natural Resources will furnish for planting on Ohio farms. Boy Scout troops, 4-H Clubs, etc., might find this a fine project.

THIS AND THAT

Sportsmen's clubs are reporting their activities for the past year, especially those carried on through the use of funds derived from fees from the sale of hunting and fishing licenses . . . it is very interesting to see the good deeds for conservation that result . . . and the Public Relations Section of the Ohio Division of Conservation urges every club to report its election of officers . . . only in that way can a corrected list of club officials be maintained for mailing of notices of "hearings," etc., from the Division . . . Chuckle of the week is provided by Supervisor Bert Cannell who states that in a deputy or "card man" game protector examination recently one applicant answered the question "What is a predator" as "one who predates a license" and another answered the same query by "an officer that protects game" . . . Shark steaks are finding their way on the nation's menu as a result of the war . . . they are steaks from the soupfin shark . . . this is the time of year that many who relish suckers find various ways to cook this delicious, though bony fish . . . have you bought your new 1943 fishing license yet . . . it isn't a bit too early to wet a line!

Trautman Heads Conservation Division

State To Develop Park And "Seed Stock" Areas

COLUMBUS, O., March 25.—Special—By a unanimous vote, George M. Trautman, Columbus, was re-elected chairman of the Ohio Division of Conservation and Natural Resources at the March meeting of the commission, held in Columbus March 20. Joseph H. Streb, Dover, was named vice-chairman.

A number of measures were approved by the commission, including use of the abandoned state fish hatchery at Bucyrus for the development of a state park. The property is believed to be particularly well adapted for establishment of a recreational center to serve that section of the state.

Leases Approved for Farmlands

Forty-four additional wildlife "seed stock" area leases were approved as a part of the division's program of setting up wildlife habitat areas. Stipulations were made that the remainder of the farm, other than the area devoted to stocking purposes be opened to hunting, by permit, on a "first come first served" basis. Also approved were 11 leases for proposed farm ponds.

Decision was made to undertake a survey of the wildlife management as soon as possible.

Intended for the Allies to convert into jam, in place of other spreads such as butter, are sulphur-dioxide packed strawberries, which the Department of Agriculture will buy his summer in the South and Southwest.

Showing Tournament Form

Helen Rudzinski was one of the many bowlers who participated in the three day headpin tournament sponsored by Local 12 at the Pal-a-Drome Alleys. Helen may not have landed in the big money but she lays that old mineralite down like a professional

Bowling Scores

NATIONAL SUPPLY LEAGUE

Inspection			
J. Gleason	135	199	172— 506
F. Herr	122	132	136— 390
R. McGinnis	151	124	121— 396
K. Barnard	183	210	184— 577
J. Biscay	166	153	166— 485
Handicap	41	41	41— 123
	798	859	820—2477
Maintenance			
R. Welton	170	199	190— 559
D. Nofziger	188	170	212— 570
J. Rhoades	151	184	189— 524
C. Rhoades	166	144	152— 462
T. Steele	208	189	245— 642
	883	886	988—2757
Navy Department			
Pirwitz	161	150	148— 459
Coleman	190	153	169— 512
Lesinski	144	100	170— 414
McDonagh	147	156	132— 435
Stambaugh	152	154	143— 449
	794	713	762—2269
Tool Joint			
Miller	160	171	138— 469
Frisbee	147	125	167— 439
Ramsdel	131	97	126— 354
Warjero	141	155	143— 439
Campbell	150	143	172— 465
Handicap	50	50	50— 150
	779	741	796—2316
Shipping Department "B"			
Cavinee	179	131	156— 466
Wakefield	165	157	226— 548
Houser	167	159	150— 476
Mattimore	200	192	197— 589
Palmer	154	125	178— 457
	865	764	907—2536
Shipping Department "A"			
Luettke	152	151	146— 449
Gosling	189	146	141— 476
Grant	146	144	143— 433
Dewitt	161	142	145— 448
Nastachowski	131	153	191— 475
	779	736	766—2311
Chai.. Department			
Reilly	195	165	134— 494
Baines	140	123	117— 380
Boice	98	157	160— 415
Urban	120	122	141— 383
Black	173	193	216— 582
Handicap	10	10	10— 30
	736	770	778—2284
Nighthawks			
Klanecki	122	135	157— 414
Penn	148	155	211— 514
Gueldenzoph	117	149	137— 403
Lorenz	176	146	139— 461
McKnight	156	159	164— 479
	719	744	808—2271
Forge Shop			
Tenny	146	153	154— 453
Munch	166	189	129— 484
Zanter	200	189	137— 526
Zeilinski	113	169	168— 440
Windisch	150	136	151— 437
	775	836	739—2340
Department 39			
B. Sloan	116	128	179— 423
D. Coon	156	138	129— 413
Lorenz	167	137	162— 466
Blessing	139	146	149— 434
F. Hoot	171	166	164— 501
Handicap	50	50	50— 150
	799	765	833—2237
Department 37			
Birsen	137	165	130— 432
Montrie	128	138	123— 389
Vetzler	147	128	168— 443
Bordner	192	180	137— 509
LeFever	169	149	145— 463
	773	760	703—2236
Department 36			
Porter	188	160	164— 512
Burdo	115	94	143— 352
Riley	118	163	110— 391
Mills	149	104	115— 368
Williams	119	96	137— 352
Handicap	91	91	91— 273
	770	708	760—2248
No. 2 Machine			
E. Greene	152	102	159— 413
L. Angel	171	143	96— 410
H. Gowman	164	160	152— 476
W. Harris	140	142	133— 415
R. Hockmuth	187	151	149— 487
Weld Shop			
Rayman	113	82	144— 339
Shrimplin	125	158	151— 434
Miller	136	113	137— 386
J. Lefesere	177	193	150— 520
Redmond	153	153	131— 437
Handicap	12	12	12— 36
	716	711	725—2152

LOCAL 12 ALL-STAR LEAGUE

Spicer			
Mike Hulisz	17	138	161— 477
Mike Apel	180	195	181— 556
W. Gust	160	206	218— 584
W. Friday	179	239	169— 587
Z. Walczak	213	170	186— 569
	910	948	915—2773
Mather Spring			
C. Ruth	115	150	154— 419
J. Bender	160	146	167— 473
A. Lutz	115	141	113— 369
B. Farkas	160	148	161— 469
H. Malkowski	157	200	151— 508
	707	785	746—2236
National Supply			
Jim Batema	185	194	202— 581
Ed Brug	148	163	163— 474
Ray Knaggs	145	134	180— 459
John Brug	156	222	178— 556
Ed Polus	178	200	223— 601
	812	913	946—2671
Acklin Stamping			
Jim Zawodny	136	187	174— 497
Joe Kardos	152	167	166— 485
Dan Zielinski	166	179	194— 539
Jack Lusher	162	156	181— 499
Frank Wekwert	216	183	190— 589
	832	872	905—2610
Klopping A. C.			
Walter Rybka	164	162	149— 475
Frank Molik	125	149	161— 435
John Grey	209	153	168— 530
Mel Orlowski	212	188	131— 531
Frank Marlow	146	216	182— 544
	856	868	791—2515
Willys-Overland			
L. Stauss	180	246	191— 617
C. Ubanski	177	188	170— 535
B. Meyers	166	200	178— 544
J. Kurdys	172	246	169— 587
C. Piojda	160	161	194— 515
	855	1041	902—2798
Champion Spark Plug			
Roman Obarski	154	220	132— 506
Jack Grocki	181	160	171— 512
Bernie Kreiger	223	213	191— 627
Lou Block	202	179	192— 573
John Stein	174	197	192— 563
	934	969	878—2781
Auto-Lite			
B. Strauss	135	183	145— 463
W. Caswell	143	186	164— 493
E. Gwinner	159	173	191— 523
J. Bates	125	148	160— 433
J. Powell	186	192	197— 575
	748	882	857—2487

WILLYS-OVERLAND BREAKFAST LEAGUE

Millwrights			
Mohler	148	104	145— 397
Tucholski	168	131	149— 448
Coates	156	156	140— 452
Roose	175	168	159— 502
Kohring	177	180	190— 547
	824	739	783—2346
Hoist			
O. Blochowski	154	170	175— 499
N. Burrow	168	150	162— 470
M. Rybarczyk	139	144	197— 480
	868	802	910—2570
Heat Treat			
A. Keween	167	148	177— 492
W. Kwiatkowski	155	152	150— 457
N. Cangiamilla	123	170	170— 463
B. Krashmer	125	195	131— 451
G. Buttermore	167	156	133— 456
	737	821	761—2319
Welders			
Reynolds			
McDonald	142	111	152— 405
Low Score			
Matheny	119	207	102— 428
Miller	167	166	149— 482
	700	737	674—2111
Shells			
L. Gniewkowski	181	213	191— 585
S. Lizut	154	142	167— 463
W. Rugiwski	204	147	161— 512
F. Pojda	126	139	148— 413
C. Thomasy	201	154	169— 524
	866	795	836—2497
Motors			
W. Bash	150	161	159— 470
R. Wolfe	214	139	104— 457
J. Cody	119	89	126— 334
K. Jurski	156	108	146— 410
E. Pietrazak	146	200	199— 543
	785	697	734—2204
Cores			
E. McDonald	183	176	180— 539
Beck	127	125	145— 397
M. Christoffer	147	141	181— 469
A. Rinehart	221	138	194— 553
L. Blochowski	139	160	203— 502
	817	740	903—2460

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All bowlers having a score of 114 or better will roll off this Sunday, March 28, at 3 o'clock, sharp, at the Pal-a-Drome for their prizes. The two ladies tied at 106 scores will also roll off at the same time.

W-O BREAKFAST LEAGUE STANDINGS

Pal-a-Drome

	W.	L.
Shells	66	15
Chippers	53	28
Cores	39	42
20-MM.	38	43
Millwrights	37	44
Hoist	34	47
Welders	26	55
Heat Treat	23	58
Motors	22	59

ANSWERS TO SPORTS QUIZ

1. Muncie, Ind.
2. Bear Mountain, N. Y.
3. Asbury Park, N. J.
4. Evansville, Ind.
5. Bloomington, Ind.
6. Cairo, Ill.
7. Lafayette, Ind.
8. Lakewood, N. J.
9. French Lick, Ind.
10. Cape Girardeau, Mo.

Warning to Unions Absentee Bill Reported

Approved Despite House Labor Committee

By Federated Press

WASHINGTON—The Johnson work-or-fight bill, vigorously opposed by the CIO and AFL, and by Secretary of Labor Frances Perkins, was approved 19 to 7, by the house naval affairs committee March 17. This despite a written demand by Chairman Mary Norton (D.-N. J.) of the house labor committee, that the committee defer action on measures within the labor committee's jurisdiction. Her committee opened hearings on absenteeism earlier in the week, shortly after she was seriously ill with pneumonia.

Among those voting for the bill was Warren G. Magnuson (D.-Wash.), always supported by labor. Voting against it were Michael Bradley (D.-Penn.), Ed V. Izac (D.--Cal.), Cameron Morrison (D.-N. C.), John E. Fogarty (D.-R. I.), L. G. Sasscer (D.-Md.) and Margaret Smith (R.-Me.)

Weekly Sports Review

By JACK GREEN

ROCKETS COME THROUGH

Toledo U.'s basketball team stayed in the national playoffs when they defeated Manhattan College last week at Madison Square Garden.

With Minor and Grove in good shape, it looks like Coach Friddle might come back to Toledo with the championship tucked into his vest pocket. The score last week: Manhattan College 47, Toledo U. 54.

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Jack Green

AMONG THE FIGHTERS

Sammy Angott, the heavyweight champion who retired and then changed his mind about it, came back last Friday night to defeat Willie Pep in a ten-round bout. Pep previously had won 62 straight bouts. Now Angott will have to meet "Beau Jack," who holds his former title.

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Jack LaMotta, the one man boxing show, knocked out Jimmy Reeves, Cleveland middleweight, in the sixth round of a 10-round bout at the Olympia in Detroit, March 19. Believe me, this LaMotta has a punch. I was at the ringside and saw Jack lose the first four rounds; but when he connected with Reeves in the sixth, the latter went down like he had been hit with a block buster.

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HOCKEY CHAMPS

The Detroit Red Wings, who won the National Hockey League championship, enjoyed one of the best financial seasons in the history of the game.

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STILL GOING

Henry Armstrong continues to rank up around the top and proved it when he pounded out a 10 round decision, March 22, over Al Tribuani in Philadelphia. Henry meets Bob Jack April 2 at Madison Square Garden.

Izzy Kline, famous trainer who has just returned from California and saw Armstrong hit the come-back trail, says the little musician will beat Beau Jack—let's wait and see.

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ANOTHER BIG GAME

Toledo U. basketeers will meet Washington and Jefferson Saturday night at Madison Square Garden in the national basketball playoffs. W. & J. barely beat Creighton University in their playoff recently.

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BASEBALL ON TAP

With the baseball season rapidly approaching, the spring practice games will receive the attention of all baseball fans. There will be several good games before long.

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Saturday afternoon, the Chicago White Sox will play the Detroit Tigers in an exhibition.

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Joe Cronin showed the spirit that has taken him places in baseball when he led his Red Sox team to the Red Cross blood donor station and had the entire team, including himself, give their blood for the servicemen.

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Our Mud Hens are training at Athens, Ohio. There is plenty of young blood on the team despite the war. Les Moss, a catcher who has just been signed, is only 17 years old.

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HOUSEHOLD MEMOS... by Lynn Chambers

Egg Slices Around Lima Bean Casserole
(See Recipes Below)

Nutritious Dishes

Are you struggling with the problems of planning meals with rationing or depleted stocks of food? Do you get late to market some days and find you can not find what you want? Then today's recipes and suggestions will be of real help to you—for times are real problems for homemaker.

Now that you are shopping not only with a budget but also with a point budget, you must plan carefully so as not to use all the precious points before your month is up. Use as many unrationed foods as possible, and budget those points carefully which you have to use. Never lose sight of nutrition qualities however, for your body must be properly fed to do its work.

Lima beans, rich source of vegetable protein, thiamin and riboflavin make an excellent meat extender. With three eggs and careful seasoning, it will have an unmistakable appeal—and plenty of hearty satisfaction:

Lima Beans California.
(Serves 6)

2 cups dried limas
2 tablespoons butter
½ cup hot water
2 hard-cooked eggs
⅛ teaspoon pepper
½ teaspoon salt
1 tablespoon parsley, chopped
1 egg beaten
1 tablespoon lemon juice

To cook dried lima beans, soak in cold water 4 to 5 hours or overnight Before dinner, cook in same water 20 minutes, add salt and cook 20 minutes longer or until beans are tender.

Cream butter, add salt, pepper, parsley, lemon juice, and beaten egg. Mix well, add hot water, then pour over limas and cook in double boiler until creamy. Turn into a hot vegetable dish and arrange hard-cooked eggs over top and sprinkle finely chopped parsley in a border around dish.

Plump limas combined with another good protein food, cheese, in this dish, meet the requirements of a good main dish:

***Lima Bean Cheese Loaf.**
(Serves 6)

2 cups cooked, dried lima beans, pureed
1 cup cracker crumbs
2 tablespoons melted butter
2 tablespoons chopped green pepper
¼ cup onion, minced
¼ cup ham, ground
2 tablespoons parsley, minced
½ cup American cheese, shredded
¼ cup milk
2 tablespoons chili sauce
½ cup meat stock

One cup of dried lima beans ...s about 3 cups when cooked. ...them overnight in cold water, ...l cook for 20 minutes, add salt and cook 10 to 20 minutes more until tender. To puree lima beans, put through a sieve.

Brown onion and green pepper in butter. Blend all ingredients except stock together thoroughly. Pack into a well-greased loaf tin. Bake in a moderate oven (350 degrees) for about 50 minutes. Baste frequently with stock.

An excellent tomato sauce to serve with this loaf can be made by sauteeing 2 tablespoons minced onion and 2 tablespoons chopped celery in 2 tablespoons butter. Add to this 2 bay leaves, 1 teaspoon whole cloves, ½ teaspoon salt and 1 can tomato soup. Simmer 10 minutes, strain and serve with loaf.

Several times recently when I have visited the butcher, he has offered me pork tenderloin. This is an excellent tasting meat—very rich in vitamin B1 or thiamin, which prevents nervousness, restlessness, listlessness and tiredness.

Breaded Pork Tenderloin
(Serves 4)

1 pound pork tenderloin
1 teaspoon salt
⅛ teaspoon pepper
½ cup fine bread crumbs
1 egg
2 tablespoons water or milk
Meat drippings

Cut tenderloin into 2-inch sections. Flatten. Season with salt and pepper. Dip in crumbs, slightly beaten egg, diluted, and again in crumbs. Let stand in refrigerator 15 minutes. Brown on both sides on hot drippings. Cover and cook slowly for 30 minutes.

An unrestricted meat is tongue—you don't have to carry a ration book to get it at your butcher's. Learn how to cook it, and you will really discover a culinary delight for your family:

Tongue with Carrots in Spinach Nests.

1 fresh beef tongue
Water
2 teaspoons salt
3½ cups cooked spinach
2 cups cooked, diced carrots

Cover tongue with water and add salt. Cover. Allow to simmer 1 hour to each pound of tongue, or until tongue is tender. Remove from water and skin. Serve hot, sliced. Arrange nests of spinach and carrots on platter around tongue.

Smothered Chicken.
(Serves 4)

2 pounds chicken
1 pound mushrooms
½ cup milk
2 tablespoons butter or fat
1 teaspoon salt
⅛ teaspoon pepper
1 tablespoon flour

Cut chicken in serving pieces and brown in fat. Slice and fry mushrooms until browned. Place chicken in baking dish, cover with mushrooms. Thicken remaining fat with flour, add salt and pepper, then milk and cook until thickened. Pour sauce over mushrooms and chicken. Cover baking dish and bake in a moderate (350-degree) oven for 45 minutes.

This Week's Menu
*Lima Bean Cheese Loaf
Orange-Apple Salad
Oatmeal Refrigerator Rolls
Snow Pudding Custard Sauce
Beverage
*Recipe given.

Lynn Says:

The Score Card: When you plan meals these days, do it with ration book in hand. Remember, you're spending not only money but points and that requires extra keeping of accounts.

Plan meals in advance keeping in mind what you need and what points you can use to best advantage with it. Don't squander points. If, for example, you have an eight-point coupon, and need something valued at six points, try not to use the eight- point coupon except with anything which corresponds with it.

Since canned and packaged goods will be at a premium, plan those menus carefully. Don't do without fruits and vegetables if the coupons are used up—have plenty of fresh, unrationed ones on hand.

Lynn Chambers welcomes you to submit your household queries to her problem clinic. Send your letters to her at Western Newspaper Union, 210 South Desplaines Street, Chicago, Ill. Don't forget to enclose a stamped, self-addressed envelope for your reply.

THE JOY OF CHELTENHAM

Dedicated to Phyllis Ann Merce, age three, who lives on Cheltenham Drive, Ne wEngland Lanes, in Old Orchard.

There's a garden in old orchard
Where the lovely roses bloom,
And a sweeheart in the garden
That will chase away the gloom.

O the angels surely blessed thee
With their loveliness, O Pam,
For New England's Lanes are brighter—
You're the joy of Cheltenham

When the sun shines on the violets
There is gold upon the blue,
And it makes a patch of heaven
That reminds me, Pam, of you.

O you call your grandma "me-maw"
And you spend the week days there,
But when sabbath day is breaking
You have mother's loving care.

O your daddy calls you "Pumpkins"
And you call him oft' the same,
But you really are his princess
And he is your king of fame.

O the flowers within the garden
And the birds upon the bough
Of the sweetness you endow.
Long ago have caught the fancy

God has given precious treasure
When He gave us loving Pam,
For New England's Lanes are brighter
With the joy of Cheltenham.

DON PARSON,
"The Bard of Flatrock."

Rickenbacker Backs Away From Committee

By Federated Press

WASHINGTON, March 22—Sen. Joseph C. O'Mahoney (D. Wyo.) interpreted Edward V. Rickenbacker in his anti-labor, anti-administration speech before the senate military affairs committee March 19 and after a few heated words caused Rickenbacker to back down.

"You just made a statement which would make headlines," O'Mahoney said, during Rickenbacker's testimony, ostensibly on bill 666, the draft labor bill. "You said the government was suppressing truths, that the facts hadn't been told. Now what truths have not been told? What facts suppressed?"

"I'm not looking for headlines," said Rickenbacker.

"I hope not," shot back O'Mahoney. "But what truths?"

"There are some things I can't say that I happen to know," said Rickenbacker darkly.

Rick Crawls Out

Later, after O'Mahoney pointed out that "whatever you do is flashed far and wide," and asked if he wanted to create the impression that the government wasn't giving the people the truth, Rickenbacker said he would qualify his remarks. He had the greatest respect for the government of this country, he said formally.

Rickenbacker said at the outset he hadn't read the Austin-Wadsworth bill, on which he was supposedly testifying. Brushing that aside, he launched into his usual attack on labor. He urged that all labor laws be changed so that management would have no interference from government or "labor racketeers" and could hire and fire as it pleased. This would solve everything.

Rickenbacker denied under Reynolds questioning that he was creating disunity and that he was a labor hater. He got along with his employes, he said—he was just opposed to the closed shop.

Rickenbacker, who said we had "more manpower than we need," if it is utilized by putting industry on a piece-work basis — and of course he'd eliminate overtime pay for the 48 hour week—was asked by Henry Cabot Lodge Jr. (R. Mass.) if his testimony on absenteeism was based on impressions or fact.

Backs Down Again

And again Rickenbacker backed down. He again took refuge in the confidential nature of his information.

Rickenbacker and Rankin had a long parley on communists and appeared in agreement that everyone in the labor movement who opposed their ideas was a communist. Rankin, apparently feeling his hero could not disagree with him, then asked: "I see that the maritime union is attempting to boycott vessels going to Spain, which is a neutral country. Wouldn't that have a tendency to drive Spain into the arms of the enemy?" But Rickenbacker said he didn't have the facts.

Negroes To Make Up 10% of Navy And Marine Corps

WASHINGTON (FP)—The traditional discriminatory practices of the Navy and Marine Corps which accepted only a few Negroes for special assignments will be replaced shortly by induction of Negroes to the extent of 10 per cent of the Navy and Marine Corps. They will follow the Army's Jim Crow practice of setting up special units for Negroes.

Failure of the armed services to accept Negro volunteers has left many draft boards with surpluses of Negro manpower while they are robbing industry of skilled men in Class 1-A in some spots. The naval services agreed to the change after reputed pressure from Manpower Commissioner Paul V. McNutt.

Labor Protests Rickenbacker Film

By Federated Press

HOLLYWOOD—A motion picture glorifying Eddie Rickenbacker may be shelved, the Hollywood Reporter, film industry's chief mouthpiece, has indicated. Among hundreds of protests against making of such a film by 20th Century-Fox was an editorial in the Inpendent, organ of the theater owners who buy the movies.

Company Union Blamed For Anti-Negro Stoppage

CANTON, O. (FP)—A repudiated company union was blamed by Local President Finas Reynolds of the United Steelworkers (CIO) for a stoppage at the Gambrinus works of the Timken Roller Bearing Co. here.

Reynolds said that former officials of the Ironworkers Organizing Committee, which was defeated by the CIO union in an NLRB election last July, had incited workers to refuse to work with Negroes in the Gambrinus plant.

Members of the CIO have been ordered by Reynolds to return to work under the threat of expulsion.

"I'll Have to Call You Back, Grace—I Have Something on the Stove!"

Martin's Absenteeism Revealed As Smoke Screen

Use Absences As Excuse For Layoffs

By Federated Press

WASHINGTON — Behind the Glenn L. Martin Co.'s claim of dismissing employes for absenteeism at its huge airplane factory near Baltimore, is a plan to dismiss 9,000 employes, a United Auto Workers (CIO) national representative told SP March 18.

"In the last 10 days, we figure 2,000 workers have gone. Most of them were fired but some quit," said John Tate, in charge of publicity for aircraft nationally for the union. "An outside source estimates it at between 3,000 and 6,000. The company denies it but we made them admit they'd fired some.

"President Glenn L. Martin issued conflicting statements, but both were wrapped in phoney patriotism. In one he admitted firing 167—because of 'absenteeism', and 72 for their 'attitude.' Then he said he'd release skilled labor out of patriotism because there was no immediate work.

Martin Production Poor

"Six weeks ago our committees asked the release of skilled workers he was using in production, or asked that he let them redesign his tools, which are said to be bad.

"Why he didn't get the contracts he expected I don't know, but his production has been uniformly poor."

The regional War Manpower Commission is investigating the situation on complaint of a committee of five workers headed by James Montroy of the tool room, chairman of the UAW for plant 2, who presented their claims 10 days ago.

The company has had a tremendous turnover but has done little to correct fundamental causes of involuntary absenteeism, according to the UAW, which is organizing there.

Lack of Facilities

There are no nursery schools or child care projects for children living in the trailer and houses near the plant, and only pitifully inadequate facilities for any of the children of the 14,000 women workers whether in Armistead Gardens or elsewhere. At Armistead Gardens outside Baltimore 1,600 families have only one store nearby to trade at. Construction of a Federal Public Housing Authority building near the plant for recreation and nursery school will not begin for 30 days, said Tate.

Labor relations as well as everything else have been bad, he said. The socalled labor management committee at the plant is sponsored by the local American Legion post and not recognized by the WMC, he charged. Of 87 socalled labor representatives, only four are workers, the other supervisors, said Tate.

Union Stops Rickenbacker Speech

By Federated Press

NEW YORK—Eddie Rickenbacker, Eastern Airlines president who has been carrying on a I-man anti-labor campaign since his rescue in the Pacific, won't make one union hating speech he had planned.

Rickenbacker had been invited by the General Aircraft Co. to speak at an employe-management rally March 20 in the swanky Waldorf-Astoria Hotel but his speech was called off when Local 106, United Furniture Workers (CIO), which represents most of the employes, protested.

The protest was supported by the Greater New York Industrial Union Council and published in a leaflet distributed at the aircraft plant. With Rickenbacker out of the way, the union advised its members to attend the affair if—the could afford the $5.50 price.

Pelley Must Complete Sentence

WASHINGTON (FP) —William Dudley Pelley of the Silver Shirts will have to serve out his 15 years for criminal sedition. The Supreme Court March 15 refused for a second time to review his conviction.

Murray Accuses WLB of Violating Government Policy

Asserts Board Must Be Preserved

By Federated Press

PITTSBURGH — The National War Labor Board was accused by CIO President Philip Murray March 13 of violating the government's wage policy in recent decisions.

Asserting that the CIO is of the opinion that the WLB as an instrument for furthering the war program must be preserved, Murray said: "Recent decisions of the WLB are not consistent with the basic policies set forth in the National Stabilization Act, the Price and Wage Stabilization Executive Order of the President, and with the publicly announced policies of the WLB itself.

Opposed to Wage Freezing

"The CIO has approved of the policy of wage stabilization as an integral part of the national economic policy to prevent inflation. But such stabilization of wages was not intended and has never been publicly announced as a freezing of wages . . .

"Allowance must be made for wage adjustments due to the increased cost of living which has resulted since May, 1942 . . . Failure . . . will mean that the wages . . . instead of being stabilized will be cut into with the resulting inability of wage earners to maintain the productive efficiency for the war effort.

WLB Violates Policy

"The wage stabilization policy of the government provides for wage adjustments to eliminate wage inequalities and inequities and to aid prosecution of the war. Recent decisions of the WLB in the meat packing industry and the west coast aircraft industry are a direct violation of the national wage stabilization policy of the government."

Murray also pointed out the the wage stabilization policy was an integral part of the entire stabilization program, and that while wage stabilization has been effective, there has been a dismal failure on the part of congress and government officials to effectuate the remaining portions. This failure, he said, must be rectified if our domestic front is not to disintegrate.

Medals Awarded Heroes After 83 Days Adrift

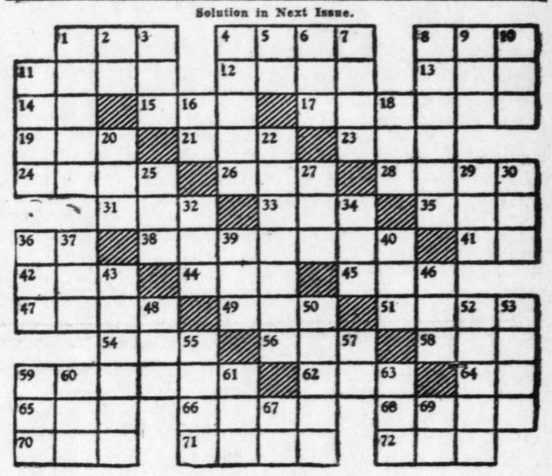
By Federated Press

NEW YORK—Nick Hoogendam, 17-year-old member of the Natl. Maritime Union (CIO), and his two companions recently rescued after 83 days adrift in an open raft, have been awarded medals for exceptional courage and stamina.

The medals will be given Hoogendam and his shipmate, Cornelius van der Slot, as soon as they arrive here from Brazil, where they are recuperating. Basil D. Izzi, 20-year-old member of a U. S. Navy gun crew, who was the third man, received the award at navy medical center, Bethesda, Md.

Crossword Puzzle

Solution in Next Issue.



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19 To irritate
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42 Australian bird
44 Also
45 To petition
47 Jason's ship
49 To clip
51 Color
54 Before deity
56 To seize
58 Ethiopian title
59 Central American republic
62 Numeral
64 Earth goddess
65 Conjunction
66 Preposition
68 Always
70 Music: as written
71 Precipitation
72 Evergreen tree

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2 River in Italy
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4 Ledge
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6 Hail!
7 Archaic: to interpret
8 Province in Spain
9 Melody
10 Deranged
11 Bird of peace
16 Egyptian
18 Twisted
20 Indian pillar
22 Flat-bottomed portable float
25 Fishing-net
27 Hawaiian dish
29 To coagulate
30 Fear
32 Carpet
34 Used to be
36 Wine cup
37 Beetle
39 To steal from
40 To carry
43 Things to be done
46 To be mistaken
48 Anglo-Saxon money
50 Conductor's stick
52 Avid
53 River in Belgium
55 Moslem prince
57 To exist
59 Dance step
60 Insect
61 Literary scraps
63 Ancient trading vessel
67 Note of scale
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Answer to Puzzle No. 40.

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LALA PALOOZA —The Ghost's Stooge By RUBE GOLDBERG

COME ON, LET'S TAKE THESE SHEETS OFF — WE'RE FOOLIN' OURSELVES INSTEAD O' TH' GHOST
I WONDER WHERE HE WENT
I THINK I HEAR 'IM IN TH' NEXT ROOM
FOR VICTORY BUY UNITED STATES DEFENSE BONDS AND STAMPS
OH, RUFUS, I'M SO GLAD YOU FOUND YOUR FLASHLIGHT— WHAT DO YOU SEE?
QUICK! WHAT IS IT?
LOOK, HE'S GOT A LITTLE BOY!
MAYBE THERE'S A WHOLE FAMILY OF 'EM!
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WEEKLY NEWS ANALYSIS

See-Saw Offensive Rage on Red Front As Nazis Hurl Divisions Into Drive; Battle Lines Drawn for Skip-Year Tax; Aerial Action Activity in Tunisia

(EDITOR'S NOTE: When opinions are expressed in these columns, they are those of Western Newspaper Union's news analysts and not necessarily of this newspaper.)

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With snow underfoot, these muffler-bound, ear-muffed members of the New York Giant pitching staff are going through their paces in one of the most unusual spring training seasons in baseball history. Their camp is located at Lakewood, N. J. Left to right: Cliff Melton, Van Mungo and Carl Hubbell. Southernmost of all major league training camps is that of the World Champion St. Louis Cardinals, at Cairo, Ill.

GIVE AND TAKE:
In Russia

Kharkov had fallen once more to the Nazis and still they pushed eastward. This was the story from the Ukraine sector of the broad Russian front. In another important sector, further to the north, the Russians were having the better of it as their four-pronged offensive swept swiftly through the area around Smolensk.

This and the fighting around the anchor point of Orel were more immediately important to the Russian cause than what happened at Kharkov. For Orel serves as the turning point between the southern and central fronts. Hitler could ill afford to lose this base.

While Russian sources admitted that Kharkov was important they also pointed out that a strong defensive had been established beyond the city and further claimed that Hitler's troops found nothing but dead Germans on the city's streets when they took it. Military experts reasoned that Hitler had thrust about 25 fresh divisions into his drive for that point. Moscow said that the reason Germany wanted the city was to atone for the great losses suffered by the Nazis at Stalingrad in midwinter.

TUNISIA:
Aerial Action

Bad weather which has slowed ground activity in Tunisia has been no barrier to the growing Allied Air force.

As a prelude to General Montgomery's expected push against Mharshal Rommel, Allied planes have been pounding the Mareth line. An elaborate system of fortifications hewed into the mountains, this line stands between the bulk of the opposing aries.

After a month of offensive operations against the American and British lines in central and north Tunisia, Rommel has pulled in his wings. Although the Allies restored much of their original position, they have concentrated their effort on softening up the enemy from the air.

Allied air operations have been particularly extensive over Sicily. American and British bombers have been pounding the great Axis base at Palermo. Prosinone and Pobballo were the latest Sicilian centers hit.

MORE TIRES:
On April 1

Liberalizing tire rationing for the second time, Price Administrator Prentiss Brown expressed the belief that all motorists would be able to keep their cars on the road as the result of the release of additional tires by Rubber Administrator William Jeffers.

Effective April 1, grade 2 tires will be available to drivers with gasoline mileage allowances exceeding 240 miles a month. This includes most B, C and T card holders. Motorists eligible for 560 or more miles will be allowed a limited number of grade 1 tires, the highest grade casing. However, all must be obtained with certificates issued by local ration boards.

These changes do not affect A card holders, who are eligible for used or recapped casings. Most of the rationing formalities on recapped tires have been removed by Brown.

SKIP-YEAR TAX:
Battle Lines Drawn

When House Democratic leaders decided to support a tax collection system, without abatement, as approved by the ways and means committee, their action presaged a pay-as-you-go tax battle which may reverberate in the 1944 political campaign.

Party lines in the house were well defined, for the most part. Republican leaders were lined up for and Democrats against the Ruml plan to skip an entire income tax year. However, there was some cause for worry among opponents of the skip-a-year proposal. In addition to the powerful Republican membership which had lined up for abatement, some Democrats indicated they would vote with the Republicans.

THUNDER:
Over Germany

Since the RAF staged its first colossal 1,000 plane bombing of Cologne last spring, Nazi industrial and communications centers in both Germany and the occupied countries have been subjected to concentrated pounding from the air. Out of 500 bombers, 475 returned after the last shattering attack on Essen.

Railroad lines and the big automotive center of Rouen have been the principal targets in France. The extensive system of canals has been bombed in Holland and Belgium. And in Germany, the great naval base at Wilhelmshaven, the big port of Hamburg, the steel industries of the Ruhr, and the engine factories of Dusseldorf and Nuremberg have been steadily plastered.

In flights into the interior, the RAF has been using giant Lancasters, Halifaxes and Stirlings, which carry the devastating block busters in their bomb racks. Wellingtons have headlined in the bombing and strafing attacks on communications centers.

The great raids, with hundreds of planes participating on a daily schedule, are believed to have caused considerable damage to communications which the Nazis will need to shift troops and supplies to meet an Allied invasion. German war industry appears to have been badly crippled. But with the American air force joining in the attacks in increasing numbers, raids to date may have been only a good beginning.

FARM PLAN:
From Cornbelt

The importance of a strong home front—especially in the food sector—was re-emphasized when officials of 12 cornbelt states concluded a series of meetings to offset what former President Herbert Hoover calls "symptoms of a dangerously degenerating agriculture."

Governors of eight states and high ranking officials of four others drafted a series of recommendations that, among other things, would:

Recognize farming as an essential war industry; release immediately all present stock of farm machinery now in the hands of leaders or distributors and provide sufficient material for completion of other units not now finished; grant selective service deferment for "all experienced labor essential to farm production" and "terminate the present unsatisfactory system" which sends farm machinery where "it is not adapted."

FLARE-UP:
In France

Hopeful eyes turned for several days on the high mountain passes near the French-Swiss frontier where large numbers of French patriots had mobilized to launch guerrilla warfare against Italian and German troops. For the most these forces consisted of young Frenchmen who were being recruited for forced labor inside Germany.

First reports from Zurich and Berne, Switzerland, indicated that British RAF planes were dropping guns and ammunition to the men waiting in the Alps. German sources soon claimed that many of the men were deserting because of the lack of such supplies. This claim was substantiated by neutral reports.

Much support and advice to the movement was given by the Algiers radio. This source claimed that Italian troops in the area were refusing to help pry the patriots loose from their positions.

An ultimatum had been issued by the Germans before the fighting began but the French declined it saying that they were ready to fight through to the end.

While non-Axis nations were cheered by the news of the resistance there was little hope that the uprising could spread far.

DINNER TABLE:
And Points

While American housewives were studying what the effects of the rationing of meat, canned fish, butter, cheese and edible fats would be on their family diets, the Office of Price Administration announced that April points for processed foods would be same as in March—a total of 48 per person. These would be the points on the blue stamps lettered D, E and F in war ration book No. 2.

In announcing the meat rationing, government officials were careful to point out that while the total amount to be consumed by the nation would be cut 12 to 15 per cent, there would still be enough meat to allow healthy diets for U. S. citizens.

Meanwhile the department of labor reported that the average increase in food costs throughout the nation during the past month had been 0.5 per cent.

SECRET AIRFIELDS:
Held Dutch Harbor

The story behind Japan's failure to seize Dutch Harbor, the navy's Alaskan stronghold, is due largely to the "existence" of two imaginary salmon packing companies. The facts have just been revealed.

The two packing firms were no more than covers for one of the Alaska defense command's most remarkable jobs—the secret construction of two airfields to guard Dutch Harbor. When the Japs approached the naval base last June 3 (with two carriers, three cruisers and four transports—perhaps as strong as the forces which struck at Pearl Harbor) they understood there was no airfield within 800 miles of Dutch Harbor.

In the midst of their assault the Japs found themselves hit from behind by land based planes and bombed and torpedoed by land based planes. Their spy work—so successful at Pearl Harbor—had failed.

LITTLE STEEL:
Formula Fades

A source of comfort to almost every labor union official is the fact that the Little Steel formula is fast disappearing as a factor in wage increases approved by the War Labor Board. The bulk of wage adjustments now is based on "inequalities."

Reason for the disappearance of the much-debated formula is that a majority of employes already have received the 15 per cent general increase permitted by the formula as a cost-of-living adjustment. WLB officials state that scarcely any important branches of industryhave not raised wages at least that much since January 1, 1941.

JAP FORCES:
Above Australia

Word from Allied headquarters in the South Pacific indicated that Japan's invasion forces appeared shifting to the ring of islands north of Australia.

This new menace was emphasized when 49 enemy planes—25 bombers and 24 fighters—attacked Port Darwin in Australia. It was one of the heaviest raids in months, although the Japs were driven off with only slight damage and casualties.

RATION DATES

March 29—First day for rationing of meats, canned fish, butter, cheese, edible fats and oils.

March 31—Final date for first inspection of passenger car tires for 'A" card holders and motorcycles; last day on which A, B and C stamps in ration book 2 may be used. (Stamps of second ration period may be used from March 25.)

April 12—Expiration date for Period 4 fuel-oil coupons.

May 31—Last day for use of stamp No. 12, good for five pounds of sugar.

June 15—Last valid date for stamp No. 17, good for one pair of shoes.

September 30 — Expiration date for Period 5 fuel-oil coupons.

HIGHLIGHTS . . . *in the week's news*

RATION: Food ration points on blue stamps in April will remain at 48.

DEEP WATER: Representative William Rowan of Chicago has prepared a resolution asking for the deepening of the Illinois waterway and Mississippi river to 12 feet to permit major navigation from the Great Lakes to the Gulf.

LOOK PRETTY: To cut absenteeism among women workers employed seven days a week and eight hours a day, the N. A. Woodworth company of Detroit has installed a beauty shop in the plant. Furnished in the modern manner, the shop has all of the latest beauty equipment and charges the regular prices. Woodworth employs approximately 3,000 women.

"Mother! Just Look What You did to one of our Best Guest Towels!"

Rickenbacker's World War Mechanic Advises Hero

Tells Him to Shut Up And Go to Work

HARTFORD, Conn. — Eddie Rickenbacker's heroic outburst of slander against American workers doesn't impress Walter Emmons, ordnance worker at Colt' Patent Firearms Mfg. Co., who served with Rickenbacker in 1918 as a mechanic at Issonden.

Emmons, who works six days a week helping to turn out machine-guns, says:

"Rick would be much more of a hero right now if he'd get down and do a little honest work for his country instead of drawing a fat salary for stabbing American workers in the back while they are busy working, or fighting in the foxholes where they can't talk back."

A member of Local 270, United Electrical Radio & Machine Workers (CIO), Emmons was glad to hear of Rickenbacker's rescue in the Pacific, but when the ex-hero took advantage of the publicity to smear war workers, he burned up.

Talking for NAM

"Who does he think he is?" Emmons wants to know. "He wasn't any more courageous than any of the others who flew with him. And they're out there fighting or trying to do something to win this war, while Rickenbacker goes around blowing his mouth off against the working people for the benefit of the NAM!"

In regarl to his experience with Rickenbacker in the last war, Emmons doesn't say much. "I used to see him quite often when he flew into the field," he relates, "but to tell you the truth, he didn't interest me any. He was pleasant enough, but he never struck me as any better than any of the others. He seemed to be pretty impressed with himself." And he adds significantly: "I guess he still is."

ACLU Urges Amendment To Hobbs Bill

By Federated Press

NEW YORK—The Hobbs so-called anti-racketeering bill should be amended to safeguard labor's legitimate activities, the American Civil Liberties Union said March 18 in a letter to the bill's author.

Two amendments were offered. One would "exempt the legal purposes of labor unions and the means legally pursued by them under the federal labor relations act" from the anti-racketeering section of the bill. The other would reduce the penalty from 20 to 2 years.

The 20-year penalty, the ACLU charged, is excessive and "there is no comparable penalty in the federal statutes for similar offenses."

Retail Workers Are Active

Petition for NLRB Election

Increasing activities of the United Retail, Wholesale and Department Store Employes (CIO) is resulting in several petitions for elections before the NDRB.

Petitions have been filed with the NLRB for elections at the Display Associates Co., employing 120 workers; Lamson Bros., with approximately 300 employes, and the A & P Warehouse with 100 employes. Hearings are expected soon on all petitions.

A & P Employes Organized

Organizational work at the A&P Warehouse has gone forward rapidly and a majority of the employes are now members of the CIO. Company officials made the claim that they had a union; but the officers of the alleged union did not know whom their officers were until the management, in a meeting, told them the names of their organization.

Ivo Erwin, organizer for the URWDSEA-CIO expressed satisfaction with the organization work which has been done at the Display Associates Co., where one entire shift was signed up 100 per cent in a few minutes. The AFL holds the contract at present, but dissatisfaction among the employes with their contract and the AFL led them to ask the CIO to organiz their plant. The AFL contract will expire in about one month.

Lamson's Organizing

Reports from Lamson's indicate that the workers there also are finding fault with the AFL and are signing up in large numbers with the retail clerks' organization. According to reports emanating from the store, the election, when ordered, will be decisively for the CIO.

Dies District Goes Union

Martin Will Speak Softly Hereafter In His Own Baliwick

By Federated Press

PORT ARTHUR, Tex. — Port Arthur, smack-dab in the center of Martin Dies' congressional district, is now practically 100% union because of a new NLRB election victory in the big Gulf Oil refinery.

The CIO Oil Workers Organizing Campaign won an election at the plant over the violent opposition of the company, the papers and a few socalled independent workers who found enough money to buy full page anti-union advertisements and purchase radio time as well.

CIO Wins by 60%

Exact figures of the vote were withheld by the NLRB because Gulf is engaged in war work for the U. S. Navy, but the announcement said the CIO won 'by 60%."

Local 23, Oil Workers Intl. Union, has grown since the campaign started from a small organization with less than 350 members to one of the largest units of the OWIU. It has quadrupled its membership.

There is also a Negro local of almost 1,000 Gulf members and the Natl. Maritime Union (CIO) has won votes on tankers operating out of this important oil port.

Martin Dies will speak softly in Port Arthur hereafter.

The Ghetto In Warsaw

By Tosha Bialer

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My husband, my son and I are the only persons in America to have escaped from the ghetto set up by Germany in Warsaw. The amazing set of circumstances by which we escaped cannot be told, because it would mean death to all who aided us.

Of those whom we left behind, I can say little. This is the third winter they will have passed through, and how many will survive I cannot say. There can hardly be many left now of the 600,000 that were once there.

I, who lived with them through dark years, who shared their bitter fate, humbly bear witness to their martyrdom. Anything I may say or write about it is in memory of those who died, a tribute to the courage and determination of those who are still living. I join with them in a prayer for a new world in which they will resume their place as free human beings.

Location of the Ghetto

The ghetto, as set up by the Nazis after they took possession of Warsaw, included the oldest and most deteriorated sections of the city, a district that had been an eyesore for years and should have been torn down long ago. It comprised many blocks completely destroyed by bombing, without a habitable building left standing. With intentional foresight, not one park, playground or public garden was included behind the high ghetto walls. There was no access to the river banks. The modern Jewish hospital, the Liberal Jewish Synagogue and the Old People's Home were left outside.

The Germans were set on our destruction. With cold logic they concluded that overcrowding, inadequate housing, malnutrition and reduction to subhuman standards would save them the trouble and ammunition required to massacre half a million people outright.

Against this situation, the Jewish Council, a religious committee, took over the responsibility as best they could. The president was a Mr. Czerniakow, a fine man. I say "was" advisedly, because a few weeks ago we learned that he committed suicide when the Germans directed him to draw up a list of 100,000 people for deportation.

Business With Outside World

All business with the outside world had to be handled through the Commissar for Jews of the German government. I never saw him. He was a remote personality, but his shadow fell deeply across our lives. A court building was the only place where our world met the outside world. Here Jew and Christian were allowed to see each other for the last time. Here men terminated old partnerships started by fathers or grandfathers. Here husbands and wives met to say good-by, to see each other no more. For the Nuremberg law has been applied in Poland, and marriages between Jews and non-Jews had to be dissolved.

We had no electricity, no radios, no telephones, no musical instruments, no street cars. The post office would handle nothing but postcards, and every card was examined by a German censor. Our official bread allowance was five pounds per month.

One morning we woke up to find a number of Jews lying dead in Kupiecka Street. They had been caught outside the wall, shot down and then the bodies thrown into the ghetto. We never knew whether they had passes or not. The Germans never bothered about little technicalities like that.

For our own sake and that of our families, we were always terrified at any harm coming to our jailers. Day after day we saw friends and relatives murdered in retaliation for deeds in which they had no share, no knowledge. On one occasion a Polish policeman had been killed while on duty. The Gestapo carried out an extensive search, in the course of which a building at 9 Nalweki Street put up a stubborn resistance for several hours. When the defenders were finally overcome, 53 male inhabitants of that building were dragged out and shot.

Early in 1942, batches of deportees from Germany began to arrive, five or six hundred at a time. After being despoiled of whatever they had, they would be moved on. We were told they were to go to a "reservation' near Lublin. Actually, most of them left in charge of "Extermination Squads." According to the stories, the squads had several ways of disposing of their charges. One was to shut 50 or 60 of them up in a truck and then fill it with poison gas. Another was to leave them starving by the roadside. Or, simply machine-gun them.

WLB Will Consider Petition To Scrap 15% Formula

Say Wages Must Not Be Only Item Stabilized

WASHINGTON—CIO and AFL members of the National War Labor Board in seperate written protests to the board March 16 carried a step further labor's insistence that the board recognize that workers' wages cannot continue to be the only item in the national economy actually stabilized.

AFL members George Meany, Matthew Woll, Martin P. Lurkin, Louis A. Lopez and Fred Hewitt presented a petition asking the board to increase the allowance for increased cost of living from 15 per cent to a figure based on the actual cost of living.

They asked that the west coast airframe cases and the Big Four packing house cases be scheduled for a rehearing. They asked that employers be permitted to apply the proposed adjusted cost of living principle to wages without obtaining consent of the WLB.

CIO Wants Board Continued

A statement by CIO President Philip Murray was presented by Van A Bittner, John Brophy, Richard T. Frankensteeh and Delmond Garst.

"The CIO is still firmly of the opinion that the National War Labor Board as an instrument for furthering the war program must be preserved," Murray said. He charged that recent decisions of the board are not consistent with its publicly announced policies or those of the stabilization act or the President's stabilization order.

Murray charged that while wage stabilization was effective "there has been a dismal failure on the part of congress and government officials to effectuate the remaining portions of the economic stabilization policy."

Still Await Price Control

"The American people are still awaiting effective price control and the application of an overall democratic system of rationing of all foods and other necessities," he said. "Why, in the face of adequate authority . . . are the people subjected to the ravages of black markets?"

"Why do we still have a continued increase in the cost of living? Simultaneous with the announced increase in the price of milk for New York City the Borden Co. . . . reported for 1942 its highest record of profits—larger after taxes than its profits for 1941."

Murray called for a tax program other than 1942's program of "soak the poor and spare the rich." He called on the CIO and "other labor groups and all other Americans" to rally behind the WLB's program to assure workers they will have enough money to meet basic needs and maintain health and maximum production. This should impress congress and government officials as to the urgency of its immediate application.

Tobin Greets CIO Union On Birthday

Makes Plea for Labor Unity

NEW YORK (FP)—"The message I would send you on your tenth anniversary is, 'Help bring about the unification and solidarity of the organized workers of the nation,'" President Daniel J. Tobin of the International Brotherhood of Teamsters (AFL) said in a message of greeting to Local 65, Wholesale & Warehouse Workers (CIO) March 22.

"The division within labor today is the most pitiful condition that ever existed amongst the workers of our nation," Tobin declared. "I regret to say that there is no progress being made in joining together the two large organizations of workers.

"I trust on your tenth anniversary you can give expression to the leadership of labor understand that some procedure that will make the they are only the servants of the membership and that, even if sacrifices have to be made, it is their duty to act, and act at once, and not indefinitely postpone action, because before many months are over, labor with its 10 or 11 million members will be destroyed by its enemies, and included amongst those enemies are many legislators in the state and nation."

Consumers Co-op Expands

To Open Second Store Soon

Increase of business has prompted the Toledo Consumers Co-operative Association of 1822 Adams St. to contemplate opening another store in the Willys-Overland-Chevrolet district on Detroit Ave., near Rosewood.

Tentative plans are going forward and it is expected that the new store will be stocked and opened in the near future.

Ration Points Pour In

Cooperative officials report themselves as pleased and surprised by the volumn of business which their Adams St. store is doing since rationing went into effect. The ration points are pouring in and will make possible restocking sufficient to supply the needs of the customers of the store.

Members of the cooperative point out that all canned goods in the store are strictly and accurately graded telling the size of the canned commodities, can size, weight of contents and number of servings. They say that this is a measure which protects the consumer and gives them knowledge of what they are buying.

Anyone can purchase at the co-operative store regardless whether they are a member of the organization or not.

Peterson of UAW Joins Regional WPB

Cleveland, Ohio, March 19 — Arthur J. Petersen, who for five years has been international representative of the United Auto Workers of America, CIO, has joined the staff of the Labor Production Division, Cleveland regional War Production Board, according to an announcement made today by William V. Lavelle, regional labor representative.

Mr. Petersen, who lives at 979 East 79th Street, has been treasurer of the Cleveland Industrial Union Council and was president of District Auto Council No. 3.

Restaurant Rationing To Go to OPA

WASHINGTON (FP) — A proposed order limiting restaurants as to the amount of meat and the number of vegetables or other items they could serve to a customer was reported under consideration March 15 by the Department of Agriculture. It was possible, too, they might turn over the whole problem of the virtual lack of rationing in restaurants to the OPA.

'Vagrants' Turn Out To Be Hardest Workers

ORLANDO, Fla. (FP) — The latest maneuver in the citrus growers' drive to head off the CIO organizing drive bogged down here after charges of vagrancy pressed against five Negro citrus pickers were thrown out of court.

The men, all members of Local 4, United Cannery Agricultural Packing & Allied Workers, were arrested on the complaint of a number of growers who alleged that the pickers in question had not worked all the time they should have been working, which could be interpreted as vagrancy under the broad Florida statute.

The case was dismissed as it was shown at the trial that the men were the best pickers in their respective crews and generally had the highest average of boxes picked. It also was shown that the men were leaders in the church, were family men, supporting their families, and had worked consistently.